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San Joaquin County Urges Delta Stewardship Council to Reject Department of Water Resources' Delta Tunnel Consistency Certification

Stockton, CA - Today, San Joaquin County Supervisor Steve Ding, representing the County's Fourth District in the heart of the Delta, issued the following statement regarding the Delta Stewardship Council's (Council) hearing on appeals of the Department of Water Resources' (DWR) consistency certification for the Delta Conveyance Project (Delta Tunnel):

"San Joaquin County urges the Delta Stewardship Council to closely and impartially examine the evidence presented during the Delta Tunnel consistency appeals hearing and reject any determination that relies on incomplete, unsupported, or false conclusions, or interpretations of the Council's regulations that would undermine the Delta Reform Act's coequal goals.

Congressman Garamendi said it best, we are being asked to make a false choice. This isn't just about moving water — it's about moving cleaner water while protecting Delta communities and our economy. Right now, there is no clear way to pay for this project, and Californians deserve honest answers.

There is a better win-win path forward. Senator McNerney has legislation to strengthen and armor Delta levees that would improve water reliability while protecting the communities and environment that make the Delta unique. We can meet California's water needs and protect the Delta at the same time — but the tunnel is not the solution."

Link to [Delta Conveyance Project Delta Plan Consistency Certification Appeals](#) including San Joaquin, Sacramento, Solano, and Yolo Counties.

San Joaquin County's presentation to the Council can be found [here](#).

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