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Mr. Jacob McQuirk
Department of Water Resources
1416 Ninth Street
Sacramento CA 95814

Dear Mr. McQuirk:

Again I am writing to you about your proposed dam on Steamboat Slough. Our family has farmed on Grand Island for over One hundred years. Our orchards and vineyards border Steamboat Slough. We have long held riparian rights to that water.

Your project will devastate many family farms like ours
Your project is extremely costly considering that the water reenters the Sacramento River just below Grand Island.
You have not calculated the cost of removal of the dam

My ninety-nine year old mother, who lives on Grand Island, has threatened to chain herself to the Steamboat Slough Bridge if you persist in this plan. While the SACRAMENTO BEE might find it a marvelous photo op, I doubt that the publicity would do your agency any good.

I realize that this is a time of crisis for us in California. We must all sacrifice. It seems that your money would be better spent on mandatory water conservation state-wide and water recycling.

Sincerely,



Sally Small

Cc: Senator Lois Wolk
Assemblyman Jim Frazier
William H. Guthrie, Army Corps of Engineers
Matt Weiser, SACRAMENTO BEE