

14 April 2007

Wetland/Riparian Policy  
Deadline: 4/19/07, 12 noon

Chairperson Tam Doduc & Board Members:  
c/o Song Her, Clerk of the Board  
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Despite the importance and essential need, the health to our wetlands and riparian areas, hundreds of acres have been destroyed or degraded every year because of recent federal Supreme Court rulings that weakened the ability of the government to protect these precious resources.

Information that the Water Resources Control Board is developing a Wetland Riparian Protection Policy is reassuring. Therefore, I urge you to make this policy strong by choosing Alternative 4 as the proposed alternative in the DEIR as it will give the greatest protection.

Also, I urge you to complete this process very soon and have an adapted Wetland & Riparian Area Protection Policy in force by the end of 2007.

As I am 89 years old and won't be here to see much of the benefits (or devastation) confronting our natural world today, I do so hope my children and their progeny, all my wonderful grand children and great grandchildren, will be able to live in a beautiful, healthy California and world. It's up to us to see this happen.

Thank you for your attention,

Sincerely,

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