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August 27, 2009

The Honorable Jerry McNerney  
Congressman District 11  
5776 Stoneridge Mall Rd. #175  
Pleasanton, Ca. 94588

Re: 2 – Gates Fish Protection Demonstration Project

Dear Congressman McNerney,

I wish to inform you of recent constituent inquiries and significant concerns regarding the 2-Gates Fish Protection Demonstration Project located on Old River and Connection Slough.

It would be very valuable if your office would facilitate a meeting with the Federal Bureau of Reclamation, my office and our mutual constituents. We would like an opportunity to discuss the location of the proposed gates, size, operability, definition of "closed" and get assurances about accessibility to delta users.

I am deeply concerned that this project is moving forward on a very fast track and environmental review may be truncated or nonexistent.

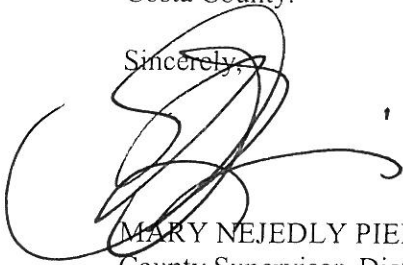
The Federal Bureau of Reclamation is the lead agency, and the project has not been vetted with local government, nor the public, yet has a very short time-frame for implementation.

I appreciate any assistance you can lend to respond to these concerns and you expeditious efforts to get these parties together.

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It is an honor to work with you in service to the constituents of Contra Costa County.

Sincerely,



MARY NEJEDLY PIEPHO  
County Supervisor, District III

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your help  
is needed!  
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Cc: Ray Tetreault, President, Town of Discovery Bay CSD  
Linnea Juarez, Chair, Byron Municipal Advisory Council  
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