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Commission Members,

Please reject the requested funding for the Pacheco Reservoir project. As currently described in the Environmental Impact Report, the public benefit from the increased water storage is not commensurate with a \$2.3 billion dollar cost and the environmental damage is unacceptable. The promised benefit to steelhead below the dam and to wildlife refuges in the Central Valley is theoretical - there is no guarantee that the stored water, which will primarily be sourced from the California Water Project via San Luis Reservoir, will not be allocated to other uses. Riparian and oak woodland ecosystems will be degraded either through inundation or through habitat fragmentation from the reservoir, access roads, pipelines, and power lines. Those lands support endangered and threatened species that are already losing habitat to urban encroachment.

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