

Hi Folks,

You might have heard that the State Water Board released its final environmental document for the Bay Delta Water Quality Control Plan on Friday —

[https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water\\_issues/programs/bay\\_delta/](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/bay_delta/). You can get a quick snapshot by viewing a media release at [https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water\\_issues/programs/bay\\_delta/docs/Bay-Delta\\_Plan\\_Update\\_Press\\_Release.pdf](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/bay_delta/docs/Bay-Delta_Plan_Update_Press_Release.pdf).

The bottom line is that the Board is sticking with its proposal to require 30-50% of unimpaired flow in the San Joaquin River and its tributaries between February and June. The starting point would be 40%, and could go up or down depending on whether biological and environmental goals are met.

The science tells us that 60% of unimpaired flow would be needed to fully protect fish and wildlife, so we will continue to advocate for at least 50% of unimpaired flow, but we are making progress.

The comment deadline on the final SED is noon on July 27, and the Board will hold a hearing on August 21 and 22 before making a decision. If you might be able to attend the hearing in Sacramento, please let me know. Details for comment letters and the hearing can be found at [https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water\\_issues/programs/bay\\_delta/bay\\_delta\\_plan/water\\_quality\\_control\\_planning/2018\\_sed/docs/notice\\_baydelta\\_plan.pdf](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/bay_delta/bay_delta_plan/water_quality_control_planning/2018_sed/docs/notice_baydelta_plan.pdf)

**If you're available to attend the SFPUC meeting tomorrow (Tuesday) at 1:30pm in Room 400 at SF City Hall, please let me know.** We want the SFPUC to hear from those of us who care deeply about the environment. TRT's recent public opinion poll found that 97% of San Francisco voters favor protecting and restoring San Francisco Bay, and 92% support the Tuolumne River — <https://www.tuolumne.org/survey/>

There will be an opportunity for public comment (up to three minutes) at the beginning of the SFPUC meeting. I plan to use my time to share the results of our survey. It would be great to have lots of folks in attendance to encourage the SFPUC not to oppose the Bay Delta Plan. They really don't have much to worry about — <https://www.tuolumne.org/can-vibrant-economy-healthier-ecosystems/>

I hope you can join us tomorrow, and perhaps even at TRT's office warming party on Wednesday — <https://www.tuolumne.org/events/san-francisco-office-warming-party/>

Many thanks for your support!

-Peter

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