

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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The Honorable Bill Dodd California State Senate State Capitol Sacramento, California 95814 OFFICE OF WATER

Dear Senator Dodd:

Thank you for your October 26, 2018, letter to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency regarding the Letter of Interest (LOI) submitted by the Delta Conveyance Finance Authority (DCFA) for a loan under the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) program.

The EPA recently completed an evaluation of all LOIs submitted by prospective borrowers. Evaluations are based on each LOI's alignment with statutory and regulatory requirements, as well as a preliminary creditworthiness and an initial feasibility review. On November 1, 2018, the EPA announced the 39 projects selected to continue with the WIFIA loan application and approval process. The Delta Conveyance Finance Authority was not invited to apply for a loan in this selection round. Additional information on the selected projects and the WIFIA application process is available at https://www.epa.gov/wifia.

Again, thank you for your letter. If you have further questions, please contact me or your staff may contact Becky Cook-Shyovitz in the EPA's Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations at Cook-Shyovitz.Becky@epa.gov or (202) 564-5340.

Sincerely,

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