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David J. Pesavento, PE
Systemwide Multibenefit Initiatives
California Department of Water Resources
715 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814**RE: a letter of SUPPORT to the California Department of Water Resources for United States Bureau of Reclamation Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration Project Grant Funding Application**

Dear Mr. Pesavento,

The County of Solano (County) has actively engaged with the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) and the Little Egbert Joint Powers Agency (LEJPA) to develop and deliver a multi-benefit project on the Little Egbert Tract. The County is strongly interested in supporting a multi-benefit project that (1) reduces regional and local flood risk, (2) builds a more resilient agricultural economy, (3) preserves reliable access to clean water for municipal and agricultural uses, (4) accommodates public access for recreation, and (5) creates high quality habitat to support a healthy Delta ecosystem. Through continued coordination and engagement, the County believes these objectives can be accomplished through the Little Egbert Multi-Benefit Project.

On behalf of the Board of Supervisors – and based on the success of the engagement between the County and DWR to date – the County fully supports DWR in applying to secure federal grant funds through the US Bureau of Reclamation's (USBR) Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration Project (AERP) Program. If you have any questions, please contact me at your convenience at (707) 784-6130 and MHMashburn@SolanoCounty.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mitch N. Mashburn".

Mitch Mashburn, Chair
Solano County Board of Supervisors**CC:**The Honorable Alex Padilla, United States Senator
The Honorable Laphonza Butler, United States Senator
The Honorable John Garamendi, United States Representative
The Honorable Mike Thompson, United States Representative
The Honorable Bill Dodd, California State Senator
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