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Senator Michael Jo. Rubio
California State Senate
Capitol Building, Room 2066
Sacramento, CA 95814

**Subject: SB 250 – Sacramento, San Joaquin Delta: Delta Plan: Conveyance Facility
SUPPORT**

Dear Senator Rubio:

On behalf of the City of Lemoore, I am writing in support of SB 250, a bill which will provide certainty that the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) will be completed by February 15, 2013 and that the construction of Delta facilities will be accomplished by December 21, 2025. In light of the mounting danger to the state's water supply due to seismic risk, levee failure and Delta ecosystem deterioration, we feel that it is imperative that the state and federal governments efficiently complete the BDCP.

The timeline to finish the BDCP, contained in SB 250, is consistent with the schedule endorsed by the California Natural Resources Agency and the US Department of the Interior. This timeline was carefully designed to adhere to the requirements of the state's permitting and environmental laws, while providing a clear path toward achieving California's dual goals of water supply reliability and Delta ecosystem restoration that were established in the 2009 comprehensive Delta/water management legislation. Moreover, building the conveyance system is a necessary part of the state's economic recovery and a signal to employers and employees that California will continue to invest in the state's future. It is expected that the project will produce over 129,000 jobs, a critical boost to our struggling economy.

The Bay Delta Conservation Plan will be a significant step in restoring the ecosystem and providing the infrastructure improvements that are necessary to protect public health and safety and revitalize California's economy. It is critical that we move forward on a path that will benefit all Californians/

For all these reasons, I would like to respectfully submit this letter of support.

Sincerely,

Willard J. Rodarmel
Mayor