

THE SACRAMENTO BEE

**Newsom inherits a ‘whole bunch of headaches’
despite last-minute water deals by Brown**

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Tuolumne River Trust

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**Voluntary Agreements Purport to Add Water and Habitat,
But Might Actually Worsen Conditions for the
Bay-Delta Estuary, Rivers, and Native Fish and Wildlife**

March 6, 2019

MEMORANDUM

March 5, 2019

TO: Jared Blumenfeld, Secretary, California Environmental Protection Agency
Wade Crowfoot, Secretary, California Natural Resources Agency

CC: Joaquin Esquivel, Chair, State Water Resources Control Board
Voluntary Agreement Parties

FR: **Trout Unlimited, The Nature Conservancy, The Bay Institute, Environmental Defense Fund, Defenders of Wildlife, American Rivers**

RE: Submission of Project Description/Planning Agreement for Voluntary Agreements

Top findings:

- a) The amount of water alleged to be shifted to the environment above existing flows doesn't meet the legal and scientific requirements of the State Water board
- b) there's disagreement over what constitutes current water flows, or baseline conditions, in the system
- c) the proposals are unclear on how to protect any additional water from being diverted in the Delta or elsewhere



Trump administration is moving to increase Delta pumping. Modeling by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation shows that the voluntary settlement flows, combined Trump proposals would reduce the amount of water flowing through the Delta.





Proposed Action 122318 minus Current Operations 122118

Statistic	Monthly Outflow (CFS)											
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
Probability of Exceedance												
10%	-2,456	526	16,329	904	-1,159	5,124	-5,630	-5,852	8	-1,825	408	-14,554
20%	-4,832	-4,646	6,406	1,913	236	1,322	-4,411	-2,950	2,991	-2,006	211	-15,066
30%	-4,819	-7,355	4,399	-1,021	-611	-2,336	-3,743	-2,872	3,087	-1,392	22	-11,182
40%	-2,605	-6,053	1,401	-282	3,069	-2,438	-3,718	-2,155	3,663	0	0	-6,903
50%	-1,285	-4,594	1,201	986	1,495	-925	-2,886	-1,543	3,556	-1,286	0	-34
60%	0	-1,426	3,036	245	-120	966	-1,180	-462	2,473	0	0	427
70%	0	200	1,655	315	190	-890	-1,447	-84	2,048	1	-179	196
80%	0	6	1,136	205	-217	606	-398	810	2,034	0	-141	10
90%	0	84	537	-116	709	-1,017	258	75	1,763	0	1	0
Long Term												
Full Simulation Period ^a	-1,503	-2,411	2,975	55	191	-41	-2,175	-1,676	2,090	-705	39	-5,245
Water Year Types^{b,c}												
Wet (32%)	-3,527	-5,776	7,656	699	525	626	-4,178	-4,187	1,229	-751	28	-13,273
Above Normal (16%)	-2,136	-2,993	3,358	-845	1,881	870	-3,030	-1,532	3,734	-1,796	96	-7,042
Below Normal (13%)	-160	-548	160	90	1,328	846	-1,352	-282	3,498	-1,478	396	185
Dry (24%)	-103	-97	-24	188	-825	-1,463	-503	-108	2,495	23	-148	210
Critical (15%)	0	-55	0	-624	-1,716	-916	-452	-279	206	67	-14	26

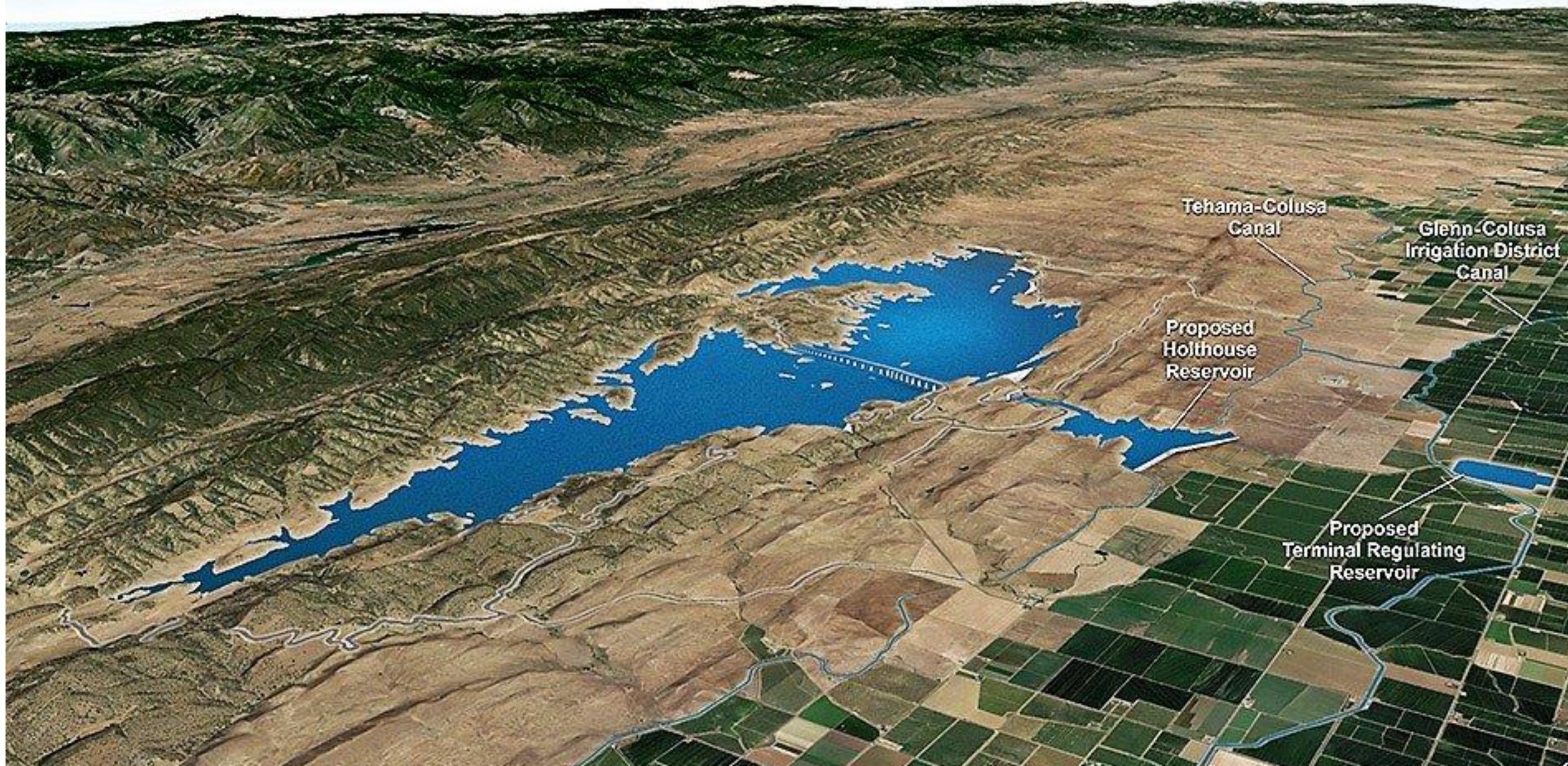
^a Based on the 82-year simulation period.

^b As defined by the Sacramento Valley 10-20-30 Index Water Year Hydrologic Classification (SMPD 0-1644-1000)



SB 1

Senators Introduce ‘Preserve California’ Environmental Protection Measure
SACRAMENTO – California Senate Leader Toni Atkins (D-San Diego), Senator Anthony Portantino (D-La Cañada Flintridge) and Senator Henry Stern (D-Canoga Park) have introduced *legislation to protect California’s environment, workers and consumers from the harmful consequences of reckless deregulation at the federal level.*



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Glenn-Colusa
Irrigation District
Canal

Proposed
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Reservoir

Proposed
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Reservoir



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January 12, 2018

Rob Thomson

Sites Project Authority

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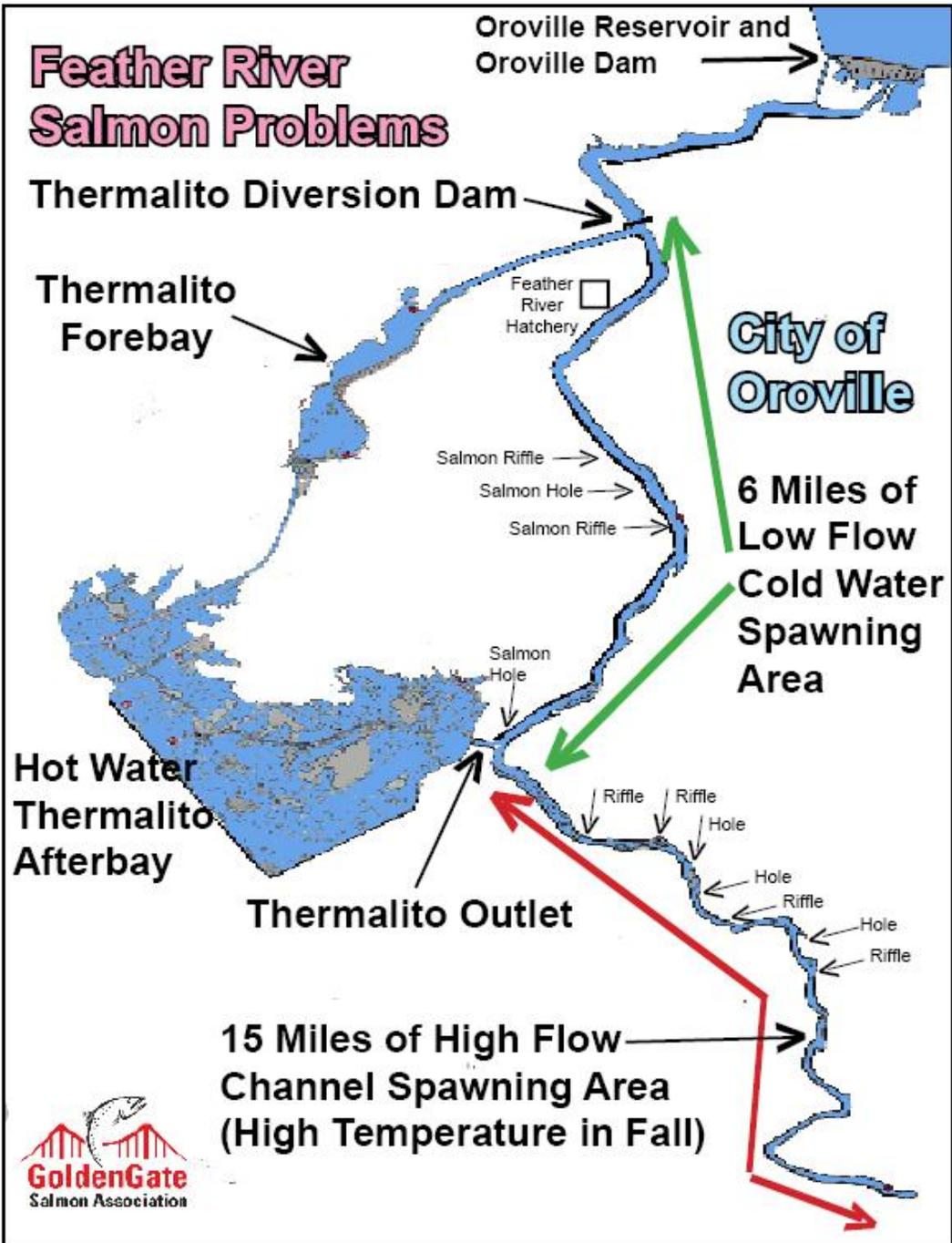
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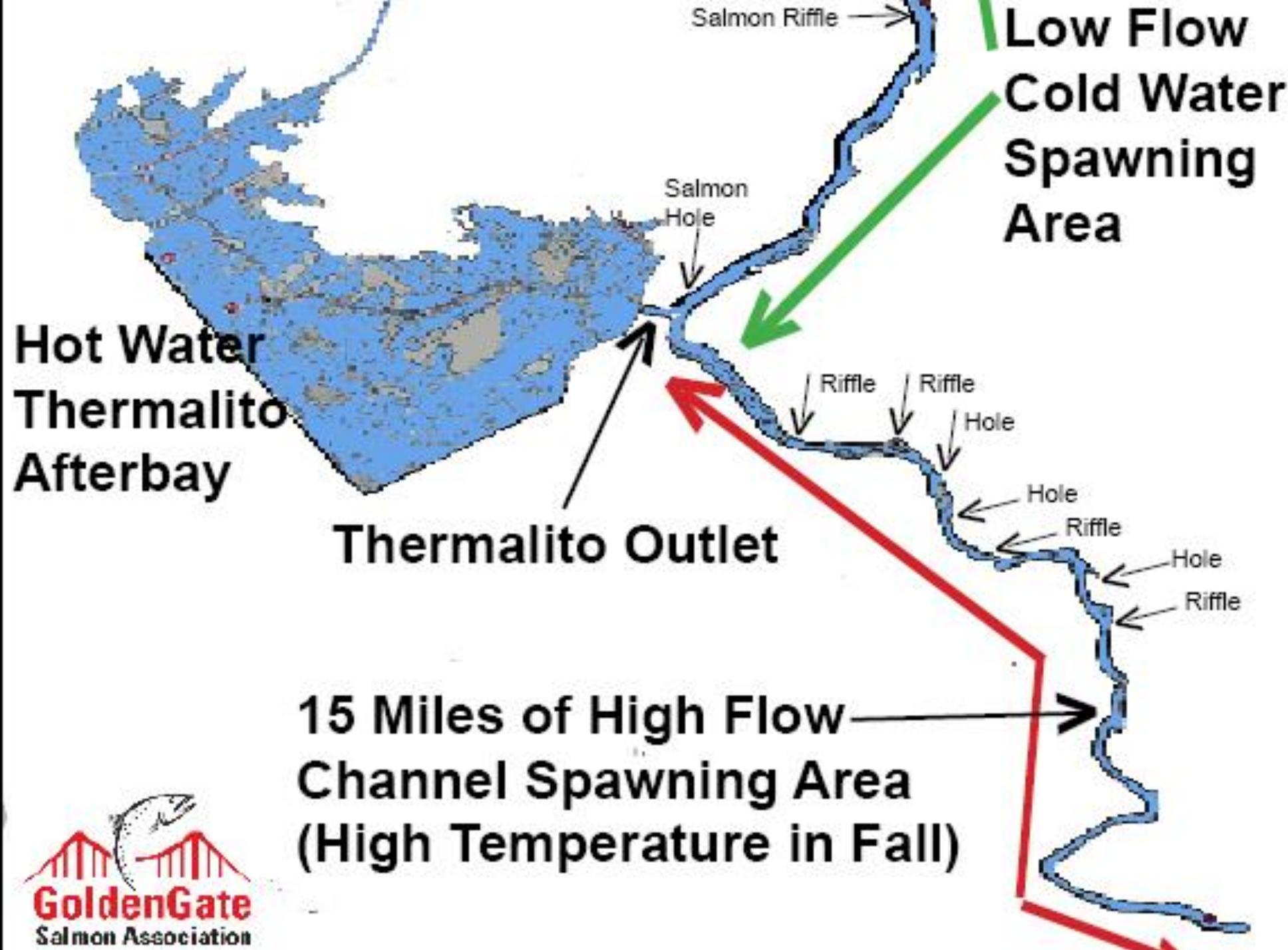
DRAFT JOINT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT/ENVIRONMENTAL
IMPACT STATEMENT (DRAFT EIR/EIS) SCH# 2001112009

Dear Mr. Thomson:

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) received and reviewed the Notice of Availability of a Draft EIR/EIS (DEIR/DEIS) from The Sites Project Authority (Authority) for the Sites Project (Project) pursuant the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) statute and guidelines.¹

Feather River Salmon Problems







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REPRESENTING CALIFORNIA SENATE DISTRICT 11



SB 69 will help improve ocean water quality, restore habitats that sequester greenhouse gas emissions, *and protect keystone species*



