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Dear Secretary Chrisman and Chairman Isenberg:

The development of a successful Delta Vision relies in part on identifying an effective and comprehensive strategy to preserve ecological values of the Delta, in concert with efforts to address other values.

As we work together to clarify desired outcomes for the Delta, we urge you to immediately convene an ecosystem design team of the best independent and agency scientists to conduct a focused and intensive effort to identify alternative ecosystem strategies, and to evaluate the implications of these strategies on competing uses of the Delta, to support the activities of the Delta Vision Blue Ribbon Task Force and Stakeholder Coordination Group, and other related processes.

Sincerely,

Delta Vision Stakeholder Group

cc: (See attached list.)

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