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Mr. Wilber C. Disney, Jr.
Agricultural Commissioner
Colusa County Department of Agriculture
100 Sunrise Boulevard, Suite E
P.O. Box 1029
Colusa, California 95932

Dear Mr. Disney:

Our staff has evaluated the South Avis Levee Canal, Colusa County, which is being proposed for use by Terhel Farms as part of an Ordram/Bolero Recirculation System.

A recent survey of the canal documented the presence of game and nongame fishes, freshwater clams and crayfish. Evidence was also found of a small fishery on this canal. Use of this canal for an Ordram/Bolero Recirculation System would result in considerable fish loss.

We recommend that the permit for use of South Avis Canal as part of a recirculation system be denied.

If we can be of any assistance in this or any future system evaluations, please contact Larry Preston (916) 755-1634 or John Hiscox (916) 265-3844.

Sincerely,



Paul T. Jensen
Regional Manager

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