Impact of the State's Proposed Unimpaired Flow Mandate to Solano County Vs. Alternative Progam

BAY-DELTA PLAN UPDATE BY THE STATE WATER BOARD (known as Unimpaired Flows) ALTERNATIVE- THE HEALTHY RIVERS
AND LANDSCAPES (HRL) PROGRAM
(known as Voluntary Agreements or VA)

The proposed Bay-Delta Plan Update would:

- Require 55% of Unimpaired Flows (winter runoff to the ocean).
- Would decrease Solano County's water supply by 75%
- Would cause building moratoriums in Vacaville, Fairfield, Suisun City, Benicia, and Vallejo.
- Would significantly impact/eliminate Solano County's agricultural diversity.
- Would impact Bay Area housing affordability (Solano is the most affordable County).
- Reduce Solano County's most reliable water supply.

The HRL, also known as Voluntary Agreements (VA) would be an alternative to the Bay-Delta plan.

The HRL would:

- Provide additional flow to Lower Putah Creek
- Create new salmonid spawning habitat
- Fund scientic monitoring
- Continue to allow clean, safe, and reliable drinking water to Solano County residents, agriculture, and businesses.
- Build upon 24-years of success with the Putah Creek Accord









Bay-Delta Plan HRL Program



SALMONID HABITAT

NEUTRAL

BENEFICIAL



AFFORDABLE HOUSING

ADVERSE

BENEFICIAL



WATER SUPPLY-CITIES

ADVERSE

BENEFICIAL



WATER SUPPLY-AGRICULTURE

ADVERSE

BENEFICIAL



SUSTAINABILITY OF TRAVIS AIR FORCE

ADVERSE

BENEFICIAL



SOLANO COUNTY ECOMONY

ADVERSE

BENEFICIAL



GROUNDWATER

ADVERSE

BENEFICIAL



DELTA RESILIENCY

ADVERSE

BENEFICIAL



To learn more about the HRL (VA), scan the QR code!



KEY FACTS:

- Putah Creek represents 1% of the Sacramento River Watershed.
- Over \$15 million has been spent on creek restoration in Lower Putah Creek.
- Putah Creek historically was never well connected to the Delta, with only large overland flood flows reaching the Delta.