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The Honorable Jeff Denham
U.S. House of Representatives
1739 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

RE: ACWA Support for H.R. 4582, "Save Our Salmon Act".

Dear Representative Denham:

The Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) is pleased to support your legislation, H.R. 4582, the "Save Our Salmon Act". ACWA appreciates your leadership on this issue. As you know, ACWA's 430 public water agency members supply over 90 percent of the water delivered in California for residential, agricultural, and municipal uses.

H.R. 4582 eliminates the doubling requirement established by the Central Valley Project Improvement Act of 1992 (CVPIA) for striped bass, a known predator fish of threatened and endangered salmon and steelhead. By eliminating the doubling requirement for striped bass, federal policy will no longer spend money on both fish that need to be saved and fish that want to eat them.

Again, ACWA is pleased to provide support for H.R. 4582 and we look forward to working with you to secure its passage.

Sincerely,

David L. Reynolds
Director of Federal Relations