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**Re: Comment Letter – Southern Delta Salinity/San Joaquin River Flows
 WQCP Workshop**

Dear Mr. Carr:

The San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority ("Authority") is interested in the State Water Resources Control Board's process to consider potential amendments to the Water Quality Control Plan for the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary. Unfortunately, at this time, the Authority is not prepared to submit comments. It intends to submit comments to the State Water Board before, during, and after the April 22, 2009, workshop, which directly address procedural issues (potential benefit of a more rigorous evidentiary process and setting water quality objectives after considering the extent to which the objectives have positive or detrimental impacts on beneficial uses) and on the significant, ongoing efforts the Authority and its member agencies have undertaken to minimize their effect on San Joaquin River water quality.

Very truly yours,

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