State Water Resources Control Board



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Tim O'Laughlin San Joaquin River Group Authority 2571 California Park Drive, Suite 210 Chico, CA 95928

Dear Mr. O'Laughlin:

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS REGARDING POTENTIAL CHANGES TO THE SOUTHERN DELTA SALINITY OBJECTIVES

This letter acknowledges receipt of your letter to Chairwoman Doduc dated October 31, 2005. Ms. Doduc requested that I respond to you regarding this matter. Your letter informs the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) that you will be submitting additional comments regarding potential changes to the southern Delta salinity objectives included in the 1995 San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Water Quality Control Plan. The State Water Board requested that all comments on this matter be submitted by June 3, 2005. As previously indicated to you, additional comments may be considered after that date since the State Water Board's review of the 1995 Plan is a quasi-legislative proceeding and, as such, is not subject to the same rules on accepting evidence as adjudicative proceedings. However, late information may not receive as much attention as it would have had it been submitted timely.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Barbara Leidigh, Staff Counsel IV, at (916) 341-5190 or Gita Kapahi, Chief of the Special Projects Unit, at (916) 341-5289.

Sincerely,

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Victoria A. Whitney Division Chief