

COMMENTS OF THE SUISUN RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT CONCERNING
STANDARDS FOR THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY/SACRAMENTO - SAN JOAQUIN DELTA
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Mr. Chairman and Members of the Board:

My name is Daniel Chapin, and I am representing the Suisun Resource Conservation District. The District requests that the Board include among the standards which it selects for review that portion of the D1485 Suisun Marsh standards which defines the method of determining salinity at the control stations in the Suisun Marsh.

Currently, the D1485 standards are measured as the "monthly average of both daily high tide values." As a result, the only point in time at which there is assurance that the standard has been met is the last day of the month. At all other times the water applied to the managed wetland may or may not be of suitable quality.

To increase the likelihood that suitable quality water will be applied, the District proposes that the Board evaluate alternative language which would require that the 28-day running average of the daily mean tide EC values be met at each station.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide this input.

*Presented at the State Water Resources Control Board Bay/Delta Standards hearing on April 26, 1994.