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Interested Parties (See attachment)

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC REVIEW OF DRAFT REPORT: SEDIMENT TOXICITY TESTING IN THE SAN JOAQUIN RIVER BASIN.

In October 2001, Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board staff initiated sediment toxicity testing at select sites within the San Joaquin River (SJR) Basin as part of the Surface Water Ambient Monitoring Program (SWAMP). This sampling mainly focused on long-term trend sites within three sub-basins (Eastside, Northeast, and Westside). The project objectives were to determine if sediment toxicity was evident in the SJR Basin, identify areas with persistent sediment toxicity, and attempt to identify the causes of identified toxicity.

As one of the stakeholders contacted for information/participation in the project and/or known to have an interest in sediment toxicity in the SJR Basin, your comments are being sought on the resulting draft report.

In order to conserve paper and reduce mailing costs, staff is making the full report available via the Regional Board’s web site:
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/public_notices
or you may request a hard copy from Joshua Grover at 916/464-4691 or email at jgrover@waterboards.ca.gov. A copy of the Executive Summary and Table of Contents has been attached for general information.

We are requesting that comments be submitted by 21 August 2007, in order to insure that they can be considered before the report is finalized. Comments may be addressed to Joshua Grover (email: jgrover@waterboards.ca.gov).

Thank you in advance for your review of the document.

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Enclosures: Interested Parties List
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