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State Water Resources Control Board  
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Re: Issues to Review in the 1995 Water Quality Control Plan for the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary

Dear Ms. Kapahi:

At the January 8, 2004 Scoping Workshop for Review of the Water Quality Control Plan for the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary, Chairman Art Baggett requested that parties submit additional substantive comments on the issues. The Department of Water Resources (DWR) submitted comments on scoping of the review to the Board on January 7. Attached are DWR's additional comments of specific issues that it would like considered during the review. At this time, DWR has provided some background and general basis for a review of these issues. The Board has indicated it will notice additional workshops on selected issues, if any, where parties may comment. DWR will be providing additional information regarding the issues during these later workshops or hearings.

In developing the schedule of when issues will be reviewed, DWR requests that the Board consider the complexity and controversial nature of an issue. For example, DWR has recommended review of the location of the salinity objective at Contra Costa Pumping Plant #1. This is a controversial issue that DWR believes should be heard towards the end of the review process so parties may meet to develop joint proposals that could be considered by the Board. Other issues, such as the update of the monitoring program may be less difficult to address and could be heard early in the process.