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Subject: Southern Delta Salinity Workshop

Dear Ms. Kapahi:

This letter is pursuant to the State Water Resources Control Board's Notice of Public Workshop for southern Delta salinity issued on October 13, 2006. The U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI) intends to participate in the workshops by providing data and information in a presentation made at the workshop scheduled to begin on January 16, 2007. An outline of this presentation is as follows:

South Delta Salinity Scoping Workshop

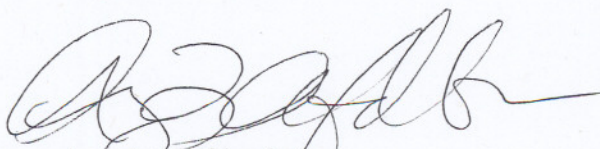
- I. Overview of Information
- II. Review/Stats of U.S. Bureau of Reclamation San Joaquin Basin Activities
- III. Analysis Information – CALSIM II Development – Water Quality Module
- IV. Beneficial Use Objectives Managed at Vernalis with water flow
- V. Water Availability and Drought Risk Management
- VI. Water Quality Relationship between Vernalis and Brandt Bridge
- VII. 1995 WQCP/D-1641 EIR Assumptions and Approach to Southern Delta Salinity
- VIII. Operational/Management Concerns
- IX. Technical Conclusions and Future Directions

In addition, DOI is requesting that the Board allow all workshop participants 30 days from the close of the oral presentations to submit closing briefs in order to summarize the data presented and to make specific recommendations to the Board.

Should you have any questions or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (916) 978-5688.

Sincerely,

Daniel G. Shillito
Regional Solicitor

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Amy L. Aufdemberge', written in a cursive style.

By: Amy L. Aufdemberge
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