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Suisun Marsh Landowners:

RE: CALFED Levee Investigation Workshop

Enclosed you will find a letter summarizing the CALFED Bay-Delta Program Goals and the background which led to the formation of the Suisun Marsh Levee Investigation Team. Since the creation of the Investigation Team in January of 1999, SRCD and Department of Fish and Game have been actively participating in this process.

This Landowner Outreach Workshop is intended to inform the Suisun Marsh landowners of initial investigation results and determine if Suisun Marsh landowners are interested in future participation in a Suisun Marsh Program. With the concerns Suisun Marsh landowners raised over the release of the "Baylands Ecosystem Habitat Goals Report", SRCD felt that it was imperative that landowners be informed and have input to CALFED prior to drafting the Suisun Marsh Levee Investigation Report.

This meeting will discuss potential impacts on water quality from levee breaches, the possibility of the establishment of a Suisun Marsh levee maintenance and emergency response program, the future conversion of managed wetlands to tidal, and benefits to Suisun Marsh landowners from participation in a Suisun Marsh CALFED Program.

I strongly encourage you and members of your club to attend this workshop. Active landowner participation and input during this workshop is essential to provide CALFED direction in its future activities in the Marsh.

I hope to see you there, Monday night March 6th, 2000, 6:30-9:00 p.m., at the Solano County Office of Education, 5100 Business Center Drive, Fairfield, CA.

Sincerely,

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