

# MEMORANDUM



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**Re:** Draft Response to Contra Costa Water District

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Per your request, following is the page from the Water Quality Control Plan for the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary, May 1995, which cite the values for chloride. The plan does not contain water quality values for TDS; however, the Region 2 and 5 Water Quality Control Boards have developed TDS water quality objectives which I have also attached.

The PAT reviewed these water quality objectives and proposed the TDS values of <220 mg/l (10 year average) and <440 mg/l (monthly average) to the Water Quality Program which we have incorporated into subsequent documents. These TDS values do not seem to conflict with the Water Quality Control Plan for the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary, May 1995. Similarly, the footnote for nutrients was also provided by the PAT. Please find attached the PAT comments recommending the use of the TDS values and the footnote for nutrients. Nutrients are currently listed as a parameter of concern, therefore, I am unclear as to why nutrients are being proposed for addition to the list.

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