

July 19, 2023

Ms. Ramona Fernandez, Deputy Director  
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Notice of Flashboards Installation/Boat Lock Operation at Suisun Marsh Salinity Control Structure.

The enclosed notice represents the most recent description of passage through the Department of Water Resources' Salinity Control Structure located 2.2 miles from the easterly end of Montezuma Slough in Solano County, California.

On July 31, 2023, DWR will install the flashboards across the maintenance channel at the Suisun Marsh Salinity Control Structure, and coincidentally will begin operating the appurtenant boat lock. Passage in either direction can only be accomplished using the boat lock. The boat lock is expected to be operated through May 31, 2024, contingent on hydrologic conditions, during the hours of 0700 hours and 1700 hours, unless informed otherwise.

Please include this information in your Boating News publication, and the News Release section of your website. I am also sending a copy of this notice to the Coast Guard for inclusion in their Local Notice to Mariners.

Please contact me at (916) 574-2991 or [Uecker,Ian@DWR](mailto:Uecker,Ian@DWR) if you have questions regarding the flashboard installation.

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Enclosure

cc: (See attached list.)

The California Department of Water Resources advises that it will install the flashboards across the Maintenance Channel and begin Boat Lock operations at the Suisun Marsh Salinity Control Structure, located 2.2 nautical miles from the easterly end of Montezuma Slough at coordinates, 38°05'36"N 121°53'07"W on July 31, 2023.

Beginning that day until May 31, 2024, Mariners are advised to use the boat lock on the west side of the slough. The boat lock will be open to boat traffic between the hours of 0700 hours and 1700 hours, unless informed otherwise. Signs and lights will be posted to warn vessels to avoid the use of the maintenance channel on the east side of the facility.

## Suisun Marsh Salinity Control Structure

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