March 3, 2003

Notice of Availability

Subject: Notice of Availability of 2003 Addendum to the Egeria Densa Control Program (EDCP) Environmental Impact Report (Pursuant to: CEQA guidelines Sec 15164).

Project Description: This is to advise that the Egeria densa Control Program will be modified in the following manner:

« The fluridone pellet formulation of Sonar Precision Release shall replace Sonar SRP as a management options in 6 locations identified in the 2001 EDCP EIR.
« The use of fluridone pellet formulation of Sonar Precision Release shall be added as a management option in 25 locations originally specified as diquat (Reward) treatment sites.
« The option to treat sequentially first with diquat then with the fluridone formulation Sonar Precision Release in the EIR designated priority locations shall be added.

Of the 50,000 water body surface acres in the Delta, Egeria densa has infested approximately 3,900 acres (as of 1999). The DBW intends to treat approximately 1,733 of these acres. Through this addendum, the DBW is not proposing to change the number of acres it will treat as part of the EDCP.

Project Location: The EDCP area may include the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta (Delta), its tributaries, and the Suisun Marsh. Currently all EIR priority sites are in the legal Delta. The DBW uses the legal definition of the Delta found in the Water Code, Section 12220. (See Appendix B of EIR for legal definition.) See attached map of project area.

Addendum: A copy of the 2003 Addendum to Egeria Densa Control Program EIR can be obtained by contacting the Department of Boating and Waterways:

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Posting: CEQA guidelines do not require public review of EIR addendums (§15164 (c)). Nonetheless, the DBW recognizes the importance of stakeholder participation. This notice serves the CEQA function of public disclosure and public involvement. The notice will be posted for 30 days before the 2003 Addendum is incorporated into the EDCP EIR. Beginning posting date is March 5, 2003. Ending posting date is April 4, 2003.