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## **Delta Levees and Flood Control Focus of Media Tour**

**Sacramento, Calif.** – News reporters who cover water or the environment are invited to attend a **free, one-day tour** of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta sponsored by the Water Education Foundation, with support from the California Bay-Delta Authority. Speakers on the May 23 tour will address critical issues facing California's Delta levees and flood control system, and their role in protecting the quality and supplies of water used in the Delta and in export areas.

Who's invited: Reporters from print, TV or radio

What: A one-day **FREE** tour of the levees of the Sacramento/San Joaquin Delta by bus and boat

When: Tuesday, May 23, 2006. Tour starts at 7:45 a.m. Tour will end at approximately 6 p.m.

Where: Tour begins at the offices of the Water Education Foundation, 717 K Street, Suite 317, Sacramento. (Parking available in the underground lot at the Downtown Mall, 7<sup>th</sup> and J Streets)

Sponsored by: The Water Education Foundation, an impartial non-profit organization, with support from the California Bay-Delta Authority

This is an opportunity for news reporters to get out on the water and take a firsthand look at levees in some of the Delta sloughs that have critical erosion areas. Topics to be addressed by a wide variety of speakers include:

- The Delta Vision Process,
- The Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Islands and Levees Feasibility Study
- The Delta Risk Management Study (DRMS)
- Levee maintenance and management
- Levee restoration projects
- Subsidence and seismic risk.

While the tour is free, the flight to Sacramento will not be. **Some scholarship money is available for travel.**

For more information about the tour – including a registration form and itinerary – contact the Water Education Foundation, 916-444-6240.