

MEMORANDUM

April 18, 2003

TO: Governor
FROM: John
RE: Gulf Coast oyster issue

A release was sent out Monday, April 14, by the California Department of Health Services (see attached) calling for limiting the sale of Gulf Coast oysters. Dr. Fred Deegen, deputy director of DMR, has responded (see attached e-mail); his response was sent Wednesday, April 16.

DMR drafted a letter to come from you to Governor Davis (see attached). The letter was sent by e-mail from Dr. Walker to Boyd on Thursday, April 17. I spoke today with Lauren Thompson, public relations director for DMR, and had her fax it to us.