

California Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program

ELAP Perspective on Standards

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ELAP Standards Options

- State specific
- ISO 17025/TNI
- TNI Scalable/Modified

State Specific

- Can not be done in timely manner
- Program needs standards now

ISO 17025/TNI Standards

- Advantages
 - Easiest, already exists
 - Doesn't require change in regulations
- Disadvantages
 - Smaller laboratories see TNI as burdensome
 - Unnecessary paperwork
 - ~80% population small laboratories
- Current regulations allow for a dual program
 - May require regulation change

TNI Scalable/ Modified

- Advantages
 - Customized for California
 - Allows us to address the concerns of small laboratories
 - Addresses FOTs that TNI does not offer (Shellfish)
- Disadvantages
 - Time
 - May require regulatory change
- Current regulations allow for a dual program
 - May require regulation change

ELAP Perspective

- Customized for California / small laboratories
- Can be done in a reasonable time frame
- Address FOTs that TNI does not offer



Questions?

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