
State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF EXTENSION OF DEADLINE FOR TRANSMITTAL OF PROPOSED ORDER

The State Water Resources Control Board
Administrative Hearings Office
held a hearing regarding the pending petitions of

Garberville Sanitary District

to change water-right License 3404 and Permit 20789 (Applications A009686 and A029981), which authorize diversions of water from the South Fork Eel River in Humboldt County

On March 13, 2021, the Administrative Hearings Office (AHO) of the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board or Board) issued a Notice of Hearing and Pre-Hearing Conference in this matter. The applicable statutes, hearing issues and pre-hearing and hearing schedules are described in the March 13 notice.

On May 11, 2021, the AHO held the pre-hearing conference described in the March 13 notice. On May 17, 2021, the AHO held the public hearing. On June 15, 2021, the AHO issued a post-hearing order.

On July 9, 2021, the revised deadline for filing post-hearing closing briefs, the AHO deemed the matter submitted under Water Code section 1114, subdivision (c)(1).

Under Water Code section 1114, subdivision (c)(1), the AHO was to prepare a proposed order in this matter within 90 days of this submittal deadline, that is, by October 7, 2021, unless the AHO extended this deadline.

On September 27, 2021, the AHO extended this deadline by 30 days to November 6, 2021, as authorized by Water Code section 1114, subdivision (c)(1).

On November 1, 2021, the AHO issued its Notice of Draft Proposed Order. This notice invited the parties to submit comments on the draft proposed order on or before December 1, 2021, vacated the prior submission of the matter, and stated that the matter would be deemed re-submitted on December 1, 2021.

Under Water Code section 1114, subdivision (c)(1), based on this new submittal date, the AHO is to prepare a proposed order in this matter within 90 days of this submittal deadline, that is, by February 28, 2022, unless the AHO extends this deadline.

As authorized by Water Code section 1114, subdivision (c)(1), the AHO extends this deadline by 30 days to March 30, 2022. This extension is necessary because of the delays in completing the proposed order the AHO has experienced due to the need to work on other matters. The AHO intends to complete its proposed order and to transmit it to the Clerk of the Board (with copies to everyone on the service list) on or before this new deadline.

Date: February 25, 2022

/s/ Alan B. Lilly

Alan B. Lilly, Presiding Hearing Officer

Enclosure:

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