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State Water Resources Control Board

Video and Teleconference Meeting During COVID-19 Emergency

This meeting will occur via remote presence only as a result of the COVID-19 emergency and the Governor's Executive Orders to protect public health by limiting public gatherings and requiring social distancing.

Notice of Public Meetings

SAFER Program: Tribal Drinking Water Workshops

Central California

June 8, 2021

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

bit.ly/SAFERCenCal

Remote Participation Only

Northern California

June 17, 2021

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

bit.ly/SAFERNorcal

Remote Participation Only

Southern California

June 22, 2021

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

bit.ly/SAFERSoCal

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PURPOSE

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) invites you to attend a workshop to learn about the Safe and Affordable Funding for Equity and Resilience (SAFER) drinking water program and the opportunities available to California Native American Tribes. The agenda and purpose of these workshops are to:

1. Provide information on the SAFER drinking water program, including the draft Fund Expenditure Plan and funding opportunities available to California Native American Tribes;
2. Discuss the opportunity of including Tribal drinking water data in statewide water system needs assessments.

The workshops will be co-hosted by the Department of Water Resources and will present the same agenda and information on three separate dates, based on geographic regions of California. Participation is open to everyone and is not dependent upon living or working in a particular geographic region. Prior event registration is not required.

MEETING LOGISTICS: If you wish to participate in the meeting join by web or phone:

June 8, Central California

9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Zoom: bit.ly/SAFERCenCal

Telephone: +16699009128,, Meeting ID: 939 4571 6911

June 17, Northern California

9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Zoom: bit.ly/SAFERNorcal

Telephone: +16699009128,, Meeting ID: 924 7984 3220

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2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

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LANGUAGE SERVICES

To request language interpretation or sign language services, please submit your request at least 10 business days before the meeting by contacting Amanda Ford at (510) 206-4424 or SAFER@waterboards.ca.gov.

ACCESSIBILITY

Telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) users may contact the California Relay Service at: (800) 735-2929 or voice line at (800) 735-2922.

MEETING MATERIALS

Meeting materials and details on remote participation are available at www.waterboards.ca.gov/safer. Meeting materials and details will be emailed to registered participants before the meeting.

BACKGROUND

This meeting is part of the State Water Board’s Safe and Affordable Funding for Equity and Resilience (SAFER) program. The SAFER program was designed to ensure Californians who lack safe and affordable drinking water receive it as quickly as possible. The SAFER program is helping water systems achieve this goal through a set of tools, funding sources, regulatory authorities, and community outreach and education.


Tribal water systems are regulated by the federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Though the Water Boards do not oversee tribal water systems, the Water Boards are committed to working with California Native American Tribes to maximize the likelihood that the Tribes can benefit from the SAFER program.

To learn more about the SAFER program, visit: waterboards.ca.gov/safer

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Direct questions regarding this notice to safer@waterboards.ca.gov.

April 19, 2021
Date



Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board