



San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board

Notice Date: April 30, 2021

NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP AND SOLICITATION OF PUBLIC COMMENT 2021 TRIENNIAL REVIEW OF THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY BASIN

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region (Water Board) is initiating the triennial review process for the Water Quality Control Plan, San Francisco Bay Basin (Basin Plan). The Basin Plan is the master policy document that contains descriptions of the legal, technical, and programmatic bases of water quality regulation in the San Francisco Bay Region, including water quality standards.

The purpose of the triennial review is to examine and update the focus of Water Board planning efforts, including TMDL projects. Section 13240 of the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act and section 303(c)(1) of the federal Clean Water Act require a review of the Basin Plan at least once each three-year period to keep pace with changes in regulation, new technologies, policies, and physical changes within the region.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public workshop on the Basin Plan Triennial Review will be held:

DATE Monday, June 21, 2021
TIME 10 AM to 12 noon
LOCATION Virtual meeting via Zoom.
<https://waterboards.zoom.us/j/94345457221?pwd=NU50ZVo4R2c1Smo0Yk1NR2gzWlidaQT09>
Meeting ID: 943 4545 7221
Passcode: 389357
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The Water Board is responsible for reviewing the Basin Plan to identify necessary additions or those portions requiring modification and adopt standards as appropriate. The review includes a public workshop and a Water Board hearing later this year to allow the public an opportunity to identify Basin Planning issues for the Water Board to consider.

JIM McGRATH, CHAIR | MICHAEL MONTGOMERY, EXECUTIVE OFFICER

MATERIALS

Water Board staff have prepared an initial list of candidate Basin Planning issues for inclusion in the Water Board's triennial review workplan. These candidate issues include updates to beneficial uses, water quality objectives, implementation plans, and policies. The document containing brief descriptions of currently identified triennial review issues will be available for download on April 30, 2021 here:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/basin_planning.shtml#triennialreview

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS

We solicit input from interested parties to assist staff to identify and prioritize Basin Plan amendment projects that will best address the water quality planning needs of our Region. It is important to identify the scope, timing and critical nature of potential projects, as the Water Board is limited in terms of the staff resources that are available to complete the projects. Written comments can be submitted via regular or electronic mail and are due by **5 PM on July 8, 2021**.

After public input is received, Water Board staff will prepare a Staff Report containing a prioritized list of Basin Planning projects. We will make these materials available for formal public comment as part of the public process in advance of a Water Board hearing taking place this fall. Ultimately, the Water Board will adopt, by resolution, the priority list of Basin Planning projects to be pursued.

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

The meeting will be held virtually. Individuals who require special accommodations are invited to contact Executive Assistant Guy Gutterman, Guy.Gutterman@Waterboards.ca.gov, (510) 622-2399, at least five (5) working days before a meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

TRIENNIAL REVIEW WORKSHOP SOLICITATION PERIOD

Comment Period Opens	Friday, April 30, 2021
Public Workshop	Monday, June 21, 2021
Final date for Submitting Comments	Thursday July 8, 2021
Board Adoption Hearing	Fall 2021