
State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF ADOPTION MEETING

**NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM
STATEWIDE STORM WATER PERMIT WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
FOR STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
TENTATIVE ORDER**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will consider adoption of the draft National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Statewide Storm Water Permit for the State of California Department of Transportation (Tentative Order). The time and location of the meeting are:

**Wednesday, September 19, 2012 – 9:00 a.m.
Joe Serna Jr. Cal/EPA Headquarters Building
Coastal Hearing Room
1001 I Street, Second Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814**

BACKGROUND

Discharges of storm water and non-storm water occur throughout the state from the California Department of Transportation's (Department) municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4). Before July 1999, these discharges were regulated by individual NPDES permits issued by the California Regional Water Quality Control Boards. On July 15, 1999, the State Water Board issued a statewide permit ([Order No. 99-06-DWQ](#)) which regulated all storm water and certain non-storm water discharges from the Department's MS4. This included all State highways, rights-of-way, facilities, and construction activities. If adopted by the State Water Board, the Tentative Order will supersede Order No. 99-06-DWQ upon its effective date.

A public notice was circulated on January 7, 2011, advising that the Draft Tentative Order was available for public review and comment. Written comments on the Draft Tentative Order were due by 12 Noon on March 14, 2011. A public hearing on the Draft Tentative Order was held on July 19, 2011.

A second notice and Revised Draft Tentative Order were circulated on August 18, 2011, and a public workshop was held on September 21, 2011 to consider the revisions made to the January 7, 2011 Draft Tentative Order.

A third notice and Second Revised Draft Tentative Order were circulated on April 27, 2012. Responses to public comments on the first two drafts were made available on May 3, 2012. A staff workshop was held on May 21, 2012. The public comment period closed on June 26, 2012. A public hearing was held on August 7, 2012.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

The Tentative Order, with revisions made since April 27, 2012, in track changes format, and supporting documents will be posted on the State Water Board's Web site no later than September 7, 2012 at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/stormwater/caltrans_permits.shtml.

Responses to comments on the Second Revised Draft Tentative Order are expected to be made available at the same Web site address above on September 10, 2012.

A hardcopy of the relevant documents, when available, may also be received by contacting Mr. Jaime Favila at (916) 341-5482 or jfavila@waterboards.ca.gov.

COMMENTS

The written public comment period for the Tentative Order closed on June 26, 2012, at 12 noon, in accordance with the Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment dated April 27, 2012. **The State Water Board will not be accepting additional written comments or any new evidence.**

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

At the adoption meeting, participants are expected to limit their oral comments to the revisions made to the Tentative Order since April 27, 2012. No new evidence will be admitted and no written comments may be submitted. The State Water Board will consider whether to take action to adopt the Order.

FUTURE NOTICES

Any person desiring to receive future notices concerning the Tentative Order, must sign up for the Lyris e-mail list. To sign up for the Lyris list, access the E-mail List Subscription form, check the box for Storm Water Municipal Permitting Issues, and fill in the required information. The subscription form is at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/swrcb_subscribe.shtml.

PARKING AND ACCESSIBILITY

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A broadcast of the hearing will be available via the internet and can be accessed at:


<http://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast/>.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Questions may be directed to Mr. Walt Shannon, Chief of the Municipal Storm Water Unit at (916) 341-5497 or e-mail to wshannon@waterboards.ca.gov, or Ms. Emel Wadhvani, Staff Counsel, at (916) 322-3622 or e-mail to ewadhvani@waterboards.ca.gov.

August 16, 2012
Date



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