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NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

PROPOSED APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE CENTRAL COAST (BASIN PLAN) TO ESTABLISH TMDLS IN THE LOWER SALINAS RIVER WATERSHED FOR FECAL COLIFORM AND ADD THE LOWER SALINAS RIVER WATERSHED TO THE ANIMAL WASTE AND HUMAN FECAL MATERIAL PROHIBITIONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will accept comments on the proposed approval of an amendment to the Basin Plan that would establish: TMDLs in the Lower Salinas River Watershed for Fecal Coliform and add the Lower Salinas River Watershed to the Animal Waste and Human Fecal Material Prohibitions. The amendment is available on the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Board's (Central Coast Water Board's) web site at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/tmdl/docs/salinas/lower_fecal/index.shtml

The amendment can also be received via mail by contacting Shanta Keeling at (805) 549-3464. The amendment was adopted by the Central Coast Water Board on September 2, 2010. The State Water Board will separately publish the agenda item, draft resolution and a notice of the meeting at which it will consider the proposed approval of the amendment.

Comment letters to the State Water Board **must be received by 12:00 noon on Thursday, August 4, 2011.** After the deadline, State Water Board staff will not accept additional written comments unless the State Water Board determines that such comments should be accepted. Please send comments on the proposed State Water Board approval of the amendment to: Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board, by email at (commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov) (if **less than 15 megabytes in size or less**), (916) 341-5620 (fax), or by mail or hand delivery addressed to:

Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board
State Water Resources Control Board
P.O. Box 100, Sacramento, CA 95812-2000 (by mail)
1001 I Street, 24th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814 (by hand delivery)

Please also indicate in the subject line, "**Salinas River Watershed Fecal Coliform TMDL.**"


Incorporation of Comments by Reference: Comments must specifically address the version of the amendment that is currently being considered by approval by the State Water Board. If similar or identical comments were submitted to the Central Coast Water Board, the commenter must explain why and in what manner each of the responses provided by the Central Coast Water Board to each comment was inadequate or incorrect. If the comment does not include such an explanation, the State Water Board will presume that the Central Coast Water Board's response adequately addressed the commenter's concern.

California Environmental Protection Agency

Please direct questions about this notice to Shanta Keeling, Water Resources Control Engineer, Central Coast Water Board, at (805) 549-3464 or skeeling@waterboards.ca.gov, or Jessica Newman, Staff Counsel at (916) 341-5168 or jmnewman@waterboards.ca.gov.

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Date



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Clerk to the Board