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NOTICE OF PUBLIC CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT SCOPING MEETING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO STATE WATER QUALITY CONTROL POLICY FOR DEVELOPING CALIFORNIA'S CLEAN WATER ACT SECTION 303(d) LIST

Monday, March 29, 2010
2:00 p.m.

Byron Sher Auditorium
Joe Serna, Jr. Cal/EPA Headquarters Building
1001 "I" Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) staff will hold a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) scoping meeting to seek input on the scope and content of the environmental information that should be considered in amending the State Water Board's Water Quality Control Policy for Developing California's Clean Water Act Section 303(d) List (Listing Policy). The proposed amendment will incorporate State Water Quality Control Policy for Sediment Quality Objectives for Enclosed Bays and Estuaries, which were effective in August 2009.

The scoping meeting will provide a forum for early public consultation on the amendment of the Policy and the environmental impacts thereof. This consultation will assist the State Water Board and its staff to determine the scope and content of the environmental review, and to consider input from Responsible and Trustee Agencies, as well as other interested parties.

Scoping is helpful to the State Water Board in identifying the range of actions, alternatives, mitigation measures, and significant environmental effects that must be analyzed before it makes a decision regarding the policy. Scoping is an effective way to bring together and resolve the concerns of affected federal, state, and local agencies, the proponent of the action, and other interested persons, including those who might not agree with the proposed action on environmental or other grounds.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

An informational scoping document explaining the proposed amendment to the Listing Policy may be obtained on the Internet, on the State Water Board Web site at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/tmdl/docs/303d_policydocs/info_doc02031_0.pdf. You may also receive a copy by writing Ms. Shakoora Azimi-Gaylon, Division of Water Quality, State Water Resources Control Board, 1001 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, or by contacting Ms. Azimi-Gaylon at (916) 341-5508, email: sagaylon@waterboards.ca.gov.

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SUBMISSION OF CEQA SCOPING COMMENTS

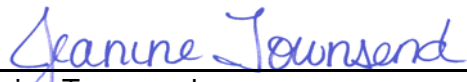
The State Water Board will accept both written and oral suggestions on the scope and content of the information included in the scoping meeting documents. Comments should be limited to identifying the range of actions, alternatives, mitigation measures, and potential significant environmental effects to be analyzed in the amendment to the Listing Policy. Comment letters to the State Water Board **must be received by 12 p.m. on April 12, 2010**. After the deadline, State Water Board staff will not accept additional written comments. Please send comments 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 addressed to State Water Resources Control Board, 1001 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. Please indicate in the subject line, "Comment Letter – State Water Quality Control Policy for Sediment Quality Objectives as listing criteria for enclosed bays and estuaries." Electronic submission by email is preferred.

PARKING AND ACCESSIBILITY

For a map to show the location of the Cal/EPA Headquarters building, directions and public parking sites in Sacramento, they are on our website at: <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/epabldg/location.htm>. The facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Xochitl Rivera at (916) 341-5566 at least five working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

For security purposes, all visitors are required to sign in and receive a visitor's badge prior to attending any meeting in the building. The Visitor and Environmental Services Center is located just inside and to the left of the Cal/EPA Building's public entrance. Valid picture identification may be required due to security requirements. Please allow up to 15 minutes for receiving clearance, and then proceed to the Byron Sher Auditorium on the 2nd floor.

February 4, 2010
Date


Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board