



State Water Resources Control Board



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP

The State Water Resources Control Board will hold a Workshop to Receive Comments regarding a Draft Cease and Desist Order Against Woods Irrigation Company for Threatened Unauthorized Diversion and Use of Water from Middle River in San Joaquin County

The **Public Workshop** will be held during the
State Water Resources Control Board meeting
on
Tuesday, January 18, 2011
at **9:00 a.m.**

in the
Coastal Hearing Room
Joe Serna, Jr. /Cal-EPA Building
1001 I Street, Second Floor
Sacramento, CA

SUBJECT OF WORKSHOP

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will accept comments regarding a draft Cease and Desist Order (CDO) against Woods Irrigation Company (Woods). A quorum of the State Water Board members may be present. After receiving the comments, the members may provide direction to staff regarding changes to the draft. The draft order can be viewed at:
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/hearings/woods_irrigation/index.shtml

BACKGROUND

On December 28, 2009, the State Water Board's Assistant Deputy Director for Water Rights issued a notice of proposed CDO to Woods for the alleged violation and threatened violation of the prohibition against the unauthorized diversion or use of water. On January 11, 2010, Woods requested a hearing. The State Water Board held a five-day evidentiary hearing on June 7, 24, 25, 28, 2010, and July 2, 2010.

California Environmental Protection Agency

The proceedings were held in Sacramento, California in order to receive evidence relevant to determining whether to adopt, with or without revision, the proposed CDO against Woods. The State Water Board released the draft CDO on December 15, 2010.

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

At the workshop there will be no sworn testimony or cross-examination of participants, but the State Water Board and its staff may ask clarifying questions. Participants should submit written comments prior to the workshop. At the workshop, participants will be given an opportunity to summarize and supplement their written materials with oral presentations.

To ensure a productive and efficient workshop, and to ensure that all participants have an opportunity to participate, oral presentations from any interested persons will be limited to 3 minutes or otherwise at the discretion of the Board Chairman. Participants with similar comments are requested to make joint presentations.

Interested persons and parties are encouraged to submit their comments in writing. In order to be fully considered, written comments concerning the draft order must be **received by 12:00 noon on January 11, 2011, in order to be considered by the State Water Board prior to the workshop.** Please indicate in the subject line: **“Comment Letter – 01/18/11 Board Workshop: Woods CDO.”** When mailing comments, address them to:

Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board
State Water Resources Control Board
1001 I Street, 24th floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

Written comments submitted via email should be sent to Ms. Townsend at: commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov.

Hand and special deliveries should also be addressed to Ms. Townsend at the address above. Couriers delivering comments must check in with lobby security and have them contact Ms. Townsend at (916) 341-5600.

INFORMATION REGARDING WORKSHOP

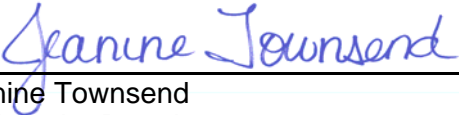
If you have any questions, please contact Ernest Mona at (916) 341-5359 or by e-mail at: emona@waterboards.ca.gov.

PARKING AND ACCESSIBILITY AND SECURITY

There is parking across the street from the Joe Serna, Jr. (Cal/EPA) Headquarters Building in Sacramento. The Cal/EPA Headquarters Building is accessible to people with disabilities. Individuals who require special accommodations are requested to contact Catherine Foreman, Office of Employee Assistance, at (916) 341-5881.

Due to enhanced security precautions at the Joe Serna, Jr. (Cal/EPA) Headquarters Building, all visitors are required to register with security staff prior to attending any meeting. To sign in and receive a visitor's badge, visitors must go to the Visitor and Environmental Services Center located just inside and to the left of the building's public entrance. Visitors may be asked to show valid picture identification. Valid identification can take the form of a current driver's license, military identification card, or state and federal identification cards. Depending on the size and number of meetings scheduled on any given day, the security check-in could take from three to fifteen minutes. Please allow adequate time to sign in before being directed to the workshop.

January 3, 2011
Date



Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board

**WOODS IRRIGATION COMPANY CDO HEARING
SERVICE LIST
(VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL)**

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