

Basin Plan Amendments

Process and timeline

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Basin Planning

- > What are Basin Plans
- > Contents
 - > Beneficial Uses
 - > Water Quality Objectives
 - > Implementation Program
- > Steps and Timeline

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Basin Plans

- > California Water Code
 - > Water Bodies
 - > Beneficial Uses
 - > Water Quality Objectives
 - > Implementation Program
- > Federal Clean Water Act
 - > Water Quality Standards

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Central Valley Region



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Beneficial Uses

- Examples
 - MUN
 - WARM/COLD
- Federal Regulations
 - "Fishable and Swimmable"
 - Use Attainability Analysis

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Water Quality Objectives

- Examples
 - Drinking Water MCLs (MUN)
 - Dissolved Oxygen
- Regulations

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Implementation Program

- > Actions
- > Time Schedules
- > Description of Surveillance

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Steps to Amending Basin Plans

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Studies

- > Scientific Justification for the Basin Plan amendment
 - > Literature Review/New Studies
- > Alternatives
- > Economics
- > Environmental Impacts

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Pre-Hearing steps

- > Public Scoping Meeting/Workshop
- > Peer Review
- > Public Comment Period
- > Public Hearing

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Regional Board meeting(s)

- > Public Hearing
- > Adoption Meeting

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Approval Process

- > State Water Board
- > Office of Administrative Law
- > US Environmental Protection Agency

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Questions?

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