



California Regional Water Quality Control Board

Los Angeles Region



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To: Interested Parties – Dominguez Channel and Greater Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbor Waters Toxic Pollutants TMDL

NOTICE OF EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND NEW PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR THE DOMINGUEZ CHANNEL AND GREATER LOS ANGELES AND LONG BEACH HARBOR WATERS TOXIC POLLUTANTS TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD

On December 17, 2010, California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Water Board) and United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 9 released the draft Dominguez Channel and Greater Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbor Waters Toxic Pollutants TMDL and related documents. Written comments and any exhibits were required to be received by the Regional Water Board no later than 5:00 PM on Monday, January 31, 2011.

The Regional Board has received requests to extend the public review period. The Regional Water Board and EPA have considered the requests and find that due to the complexity of this particular TMDL which includes multiple watersheds, contaminants and environmental media and due to the timing of the release of the draft documents during the traditional holiday season, it is appropriate to extend the public review for an additional two weeks.

Notice is hereby given that the Regional Board and EPA extend the public review period and reschedule the Public Hearing for the Dominguez Channel and Greater Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbor Waters TMDL. Written comments and any exhibits must be received by the Regional Water Board **no later than 5:00 PM on Monday, February 14, 2011**. Failure to comply with these requirements is grounds for the Board to refuse to admit the proposed written comment or exhibit into evidence (Cal. Code Regs., title 23, § 649.4.)

After the close of the written public comment period on February 14, 2011, Regional Water Board and EPA staff will review the comments received on the December 2010 Public Review Drafts. Staff responses to the comments received on the December 2010 Public Review Drafts, as well as any proposed changes to the December 2010 Public Review Drafts, will be available from the Regional Water Board prior to the Regional Water Board hearing considering adoption of the Basin Plan amendment to incorporate the TMDL. In order to accommodate the extended public review period, the Public Hearing is now rescheduled and will be held on:

California Environmental Protection Agency



Our mission is to preserve and enhance the quality of California's water resources for the benefit of present and future generations.

**Thursday, April 7, 2011
9:00 AM
Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
700 N. Alameda Street
Los Angeles, CA**

If you have any questions on the Regional Water Board's Toxic Pollutants TMDL for the Dominguez Channel and Greater Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbor Waters, please contact Ms. Thanhloan Nguyen at (213) 576-6689 or by e-mail at tnguyen@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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