

California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT AND PUBLIC HEARING

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board) is scheduled to hold a public hearing to consider adoption of Tentative Order No. R9-2015-0100 (Tentative Order). The Tentative Order proposes to amend the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for *Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) Draining the Watersheds within the San Diego Region, Order No. R9-2013-0001, as amended by Order No. R9-2015-0001 (Regional MS4 Permit)*. Notice is hereby given that the San Diego Water Board will accept written comments on the Tentative Order and proposed changes to the Regional MS4 Permit in accordance with title 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) section 124.10 and Water Code section 13167.5. Notice is also given that the San Diego Water Board will consider adoption of the Tentative Order at a public hearing on November 18, 2015.

The Tentative Order and attachments thereto, are available on the San Diego Water Board website at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/water_issues/programs/stormwater/index.shtml

The Tentative Order proposes to amend the Regional MS4 Permit to address a variety of issues including coverage for Copermittees in Riverside County consisting of the County of Riverside, the Riverside County Cities of Murrieta, Temecula, and Wildomar, and the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District and incorporation of limited permit provisions applicable to the City of Meniffee. If adopted, the Tentative Order will supersede the Riverside County Copermittees' current Fourth Term MS4 Permit, Order No. R9-2010-0016.

All written comments pertaining to the terms and conditions of the Tentative Order to be considered by the San Diego Water Board at the November 18, 2015 public hearing must be received no later than **5:00 p.m. on Monday September 14, 2015**. Written comments must be sent to the San Diego Water Board's office at 2375 Northside Drive, Suite 100, San Diego, CA 92108, faxed to (619) 516-1994, or e-mailed to sandiego@waterboards.ca.gov Attn: Wayne Chiu. Please indicate in the subject line of all written comments "Comment - Tentative Order No. R9-2015-0100, Place ID:786088WChiu." The early submission of written comments on the Tentative Order is encouraged.

The San Diego Water Board will prepare written responses to significant comments that are timely received. Consistent with State Water Resources Control Board regulations that apply to this proceeding, written comments received after 5:00 p.m. on Monday, September 14, 2015 will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party.

The public hearing on this matter will be held during the San Diego Water Board meeting scheduled for **November 18, 2015 in the Board Room of the San Diego Water Board Office, located at 2375 Northside Drive, San Diego, CA 92108**. The item will be heard during the meeting that starts at 9:00 a.m. The meeting notice and agenda, which will indicate any changes in the meeting location and may provide other specific information concerning this hearing, will be posted at least two weeks prior to the meeting date at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/board_info/agendas/.

Oral testimony at the public hearing will be allowed. The scope of oral testimony at the public hearing will be strictly limited to summarizing the previously submitted written comments, comments on revisions to the Tentative Order made in response to comments, and making policy statements. Oral testimony will be limited in time by the Board Chair.

The procedures governing San Diego Water Board meetings may be found at title 23, California Code of Regulations, section 647, et seq. and are available upon request. The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. The meeting notice and agenda for this meeting will provide contact information for persons requesting special accommodations.

Information related to this matter, including revisions made to the Tentative Order in response to written comments timely submitted, as well as the San Diego Water Board's responses to written comments timely submitted, will be available at the San Diego Water Board's office and the San Diego Water Board's storm water web page in advance of the public hearing. A separate notice will be sent announcing the availability of the revised Tentative Order and the responses to comments upon website posting of the documents.

Please contact Wayne Chiu at (619) 521-3354 or by email at Wayne.Chiu@waterboards.ca.gov for information regarding the above listed proposed permit action. Please bring the foregoing to the attention of any person known to you who would be interested in this matter.

DAVID W. GIBSON
Executive Officer
July 31, 2015

