
State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

PROPOSED APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE SAN DIEGO BASIN (9) TO CHANGE THE NITRATE WATER QUALITY OBJECTIVE FOR GROUNDWATERS, INCORPORATE THE ONSITE WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEMS POLICY AND INCORPORATE MISCELLANEOUS UPDATES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will accept comments on the proposed approval of the Regional Water Quality Control Board – San Diego Region’s (San Diego Water Board) amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the San Diego Basin (Basin Plan) that would change the nitrate water quality objective for groundwaters, incorporate the Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems Policy and incorporate miscellaneous updates (Basin Plan amendment). The Basin Plan amendment was adopted by the San Diego Water Board on April 15, 2015 (Resolution No. R9-2015-0008), and is available for review at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/water_issues/programs/basin_plan/nitrate_owts_bpa/t_bpa.shtml.

A copy of the Basin Plan amendment can also be received by mail by contacting Jody Ebsen at (619) 521-3965.

REQUEST NOTICE OF STATE BOARD MEETINGS. The State Water Board will separately publish an agenda for the meeting at which it will consider adopting a resolution approving the Basin Plan amendment. Oral comments at the State Water Board meeting generally will be limited to a summary of the written comments submitted during the written comment period. Persons interested (including those who submitted oral or written comments to the San Diego Water Board or submit written comments to the State Water Board) in receiving notice of the meeting at which the State Water Board will consider approving the Basin Plan amendment **must subscribe**

to: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/reg9_subscribe.shtml to the Basin Planning Issues list. The State Water Board encourages use of its electronic mailing list. Persons who require notice by regular mail must submit such request to the San Diego Water Board contact identified below.

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS. Persons interested in the Basin Plan amendment are encouraged to submit comments electronically. Comment letters **must be received by 12:00 noon on September 15, 2015**. Comment letters received after that deadline will not be accepted unless the State Water Board determines otherwise.

Send comments to Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the State Water Board, by email at commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov (must be no more than 15 megabytes); fax at (916) 341-5620; or mail or hand delivery at:

Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board
State Water Resources Control Board
P.O. Box 100, Sacramento, CA 95812-2000 (mail)
1001 I Street, 24th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814 (hand delivery)

Please indicate in the subject line, "**Comment Letter: San Diego Water Board Nitrate/OWTS Basin Plan Amendment**".

REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMITTING COMMENTS (23 Cal. Code Regs., § 3779, subd. (f)).
The State Water Board may refuse to accept any comments that do not satisfy all of the following requirements:

1. Comments must specifically address the final version of the Basin Plan amendment adopted by the San Diego Water Board.
2. If the San Diego Water Board previously responded to a similar or identical comment, the commenter must explain why and in what manner the commenter believes each of the responses provided by the San Diego Water Board to each comment was inadequate or incorrect.
3. The commenter also must include either a statement that each of the comments was timely raised before the San Diego Water Board, or an explanation of why the commenter was unable to raise the specific comment before the San Diego Water Board.

Please direct any questions about this notice to Jody Ebsen, Engineering Geologist at San Diego Water Board, at (619) 521-3965 or Jody.Ebsen@waterboards.ca.gov; or Catherine Hagan, Staff Counsel at (619) 521-3012 or Catherine.Hagan@waterboards.ca.gov.

August 5, 2015
Date



Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board