
Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

DRAFT TMDL-SPECIFIC PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD'S INDUSTRIAL GENERAL STORM WATER PERMIT (Dominguez Channel/Los Angeles Harbor Watershed)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Los Angeles Water Board) invites public comments on draft Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL)-specific permit requirements for the statewide *General Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Industrial Activities, Order No. 2014-0057-DWQ, NPDES Permit No. CAS000001* (Industrial General Permit). The draft TMDL-specific permit requirements are for the following TMDLs in the Dominguez Channel/Los Angeles Harbor Watershed:

- Los Angeles Harbor (Inner Cabrillo Beach and Main Ship Channel) Bacteria TMDL
- Dominguez Channel and Greater Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbor Waters Toxic Pollutants TMDL

As explained below, after receiving public comment, the Los Angeles Water Board will submit proposed TMDL-specific permit requirements to the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) for the State Water Board to consider adoption and incorporation into the Industrial General Permit. The Los Angeles Water Board will take no formal action regarding the proposed TMDL-specific permit language.

BACKGROUND

On April 1, 2014, the State Water Board reissued the Industrial General Permit.¹ As required by findings 38 through 42 of the Industrial General Permit, the State Water Board and Los Angeles Water Board are jointly developing proposed TMDL-specific permit requirements for the TMDLs established by the Los Angeles Water Board or U.S. EPA Region IX in which wasteload allocations are assigned to industrial storm water dischargers, as listed in Attachment E of the Industrial General Permit. The Los Angeles Water Board is providing notice and a 30-day public comment period on the draft proposed TMDL-specific permit requirements before submitting the proposed TMDL-specific permit requirements to the State Water Board. The Los Angeles Water Board will take no formal action regarding the proposed TMDL-specific permit requirements. The Los Angeles Water Board will forward all timely received written comments along with the proposed TMDL-specific permit requirements to the State Water Board for consideration during the State Water Board's proceedings to consider amendment of the Industrial General Permit. The State Water Board will provide a separate public comment period later this year regarding the reopening of the Industrial General Permit to amend Attachment E, the fact sheet, and other permit provisions as necessary for incorporation of the TMDL-specific permit requirements into the Industrial General Permit.

¹ The Industrial General Permit is available electronically at:
http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/stormwater/industrial.shtml.

Interested persons are strongly encouraged to submit written comments to the Los Angeles Water Board during the comment period described below before the proposed TMDL-specific permit requirement language is submitted to the State Water Board. Until the State Water Board adopts an amendment to the Industrial General Permit incorporating the TMDL-specific permit requirements, dischargers enrolled in the Industrial General Permit are not required to take any additional actions beyond those already required in the Industrial General Permit.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

The proposed TMDL-specific permit requirements and associated Fact Sheet language for each TMDL noted above is attached to this notice and is also available for review on the Los Angeles Water Board's website at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/water_issues/programs/stormwater/sw_index.shtml

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS

All written comments pertaining to the Los Angeles Water Board's draft TMDL-specific Industrial General Permit requirements and associated Fact Sheet language must be *received* by the Los Angeles Water Board by **5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 25, 2016**. Written comments must be sent to the Los Angeles Water Board by mail or by email at the following addresses:

By Mail:

Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board
Attention: Pavlova Vitale
320 West 4th Street Suite 200
Los Angeles, CA 90013

By Email:

losangeles@waterboards.ca.gov

Please indicate in the subject line of all written comments "**Comments on Draft TMDL-Specific IGP Requirements – Dominguez Channel/LA Harbor Watershed.**" In the comments, please also specify which TMDL(s) the comments pertain to.

CONTACT FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

Please contact Pavlova Vitale, Sr. Environmental Scientist, at (213) 576-6751 or Pavlova.Vitale@waterboards.ca.gov with any questions regarding this notice or any of the proposed TMDL-specific permit requirements.