





State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT, NOTICE OF ADOPTION HEARING, AND NOTICE OF FILING SUBMITTED UNDER CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 23, SECTION 3779

PROPOSED WATER QUALITY CONTROL POLICY FOR LOW-THREAT UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK CASE CLOSURE AND DRAFT SUBSTITUTE ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that:

- 1. A Draft Water Quality Control Policy for Low-Threat Underground Storage Tank (UST) Case Closure (Draft Policy) has been developed by a stakeholder group for consideration by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board). The purpose of the Draft Policy is to establish consistent statewide case closure criteria for low-threat petroleum UST sites. The Draft Policy and a Draft Substitute Environmental Document (SED) are available for public review and comment.
- 2. The State Water Board will conduct a public hearing for the receipt of oral comments on the Draft Policy and Draft SED. The State Water Board may take action to adopt the Draft Policy and approve the Draft SED following the hearing, which will be held at the following time and location:

Tuesday, April 17, 2012, at 9:00 a.m.

in the
Coastal Hearing Room
Joe Serna Jr.-Cal/EPA Headquarters Building
1001 I Street, 2nd Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

Interested persons are encouraged to subscribe to an email list serve for future notices about the Low-Threat UST Closure Policy at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/ust_subscribe.shtml, under General Interest Topics choose <u>UST Low-Threat Closure Policy</u>.



DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

The Draft Policy and Draft SED may be viewed and downloaded from the State Water Board's website at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ust/lt_cls_plcy.shtml

Paper copies of the Draft Policy and Draft SED are available upon request by writing to: Ben Wright, Division of Water Quality, State Water Resources Control Board, P.O. Box 2231, Sacramento, CA 95812, or by calling Mr. Wright at (916) 323-9690 or by emailing to bwright@waterboards.ca.gov.

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS

Interested persons may submit their written comments on the Draft Policy and Draft SED by email, fax, or hard copy. In order to be considered, written comments must be received by **12:00 noon on March 19, 2012**. **Email comments are encouraged,** but must be less than 15 MB total size.

All comment letters, regardless of the method of delivery, must have the following subject line: "Comment re: Low-Threat UST Closure Policy." Written comments may be mailed or hand-delivered to the following address:

Jeanine Townsend Clerk to the Board State Water Resources Control Board 1001 I Street, 24th Floor Sacramento, CA 95814

Written comments submitted via email should be addressed to Ms. Townsend at: commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov. Faxes should be sent to: (916) 341-5620.

All written comments received within the comment period will be posted online at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/public notices/comments/index.shtml.

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

At the adoption hearing, participants speaking on the Draft Policy will be given the opportunity to summarize and supplement their previously-submitted written materials. Oral comments will also be received on the Draft SED. To ensure a productive and efficient meeting, oral presentations may be time-limited. There will not be sworn testimony or cross-examination of participants. The State Water Board and its staff may, however, ask clarifying questions.

PARKING AND ACCESSIBILITY

For directions to the Joe Serna, Jr. (Cal/EPA) Building and public parking information, please refer to the map on the State Water Board's Web site at: http://www.calepa.ca.gov/EPAbldg/location.htm.

The Cal/EPA Building is accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to call (916) 341-5880 at least five working days prior to the meeting. TDD users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

A broadcast of the meeting will be available via the internet and can be accessed at: http://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast/.

All visitors to the Cal/EPA Building are required to sign in and obtain a badge at the Visitor Services Center located inside the main entrance. Valid picture identification may be required. Please allow up to 15 minutes for receiving security clearance.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please direct any questions about this notice to Kevin Graves, UST Program Manager, at (916) 341-5782 (kgraves@waterboards.ca.gov).

February 3, 2012	Geanine Townsend
Date	Jeanine Townsend Clerk to the Board