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NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

PROPOSED APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE SACRAMENTO RIVER AND SAN JOAQUIN RIVER BASINS FOR THE CONTROL OF METHYLMERCURY AND TOTAL MERCURY IN THE SACRAMENTO-SAN JOAQUIN DELTA ESTUARY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the State Water Resources Control Board will accept comments on the proposed approval of amendments to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River Basins (Basin Plan) to include a program for the control of methylmercury and total mercury in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary. The amendment's resolution and attachment are available on the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board's Web site at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/adopted_orders/resolutions/r5-2010-0043_res.pdf

The amendment was adopted by the Central Valley Water Board on April 22, 2010. The amendment can also be received via mail by contacting Patrick Morris at (916) 464-4621. The State Water Board will separately publish the agenda item, draft resolution and a notice of the meeting at which it will consider the proposed approval of the amendment.

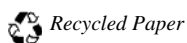
SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS

Interested persons are encouraged to submit comments electronically. In order to be fully considered, **written comments must be received by 12:00 noon on Monday, May 23, 2011.** After the deadline, staff will not accept additional written comments unless the State Water Board determines that such comments should be accepted. Comment letters can be submitted by email to commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov (if less than 15 megabytes in total size) or by fax at (916) 341-5620 with the subject "**Comment Letter - Delta Methylmercury TMDL.**" Written comments may also be delivered by via-mail or hand-delivered to the following address:

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

Incorporation of Comments by Reference: Comments must specifically address the version of the amendment that is currently being considered for approval by the State Water Board. If the Central Valley Water Board previously responded to the comment, the commenter must explain why it believes that the Central Valley Water Board's response was inadequate. The commenter must include either a statement that each of the comments was timely raised before the Central Valley Water Board, or an explanation of why the commenter was unable to raise the specific comment before the Central Valley Water Board. The State Water Board may refuse to accept any comments that do not include such a statement.

California Environmental Protection Agency



Please direct questions about this notice to Patrick Morris, Senior Environmental Scientist at (916) 464-4621 or pmorris@waterboards.ca.gov, or Patrick E. Pulupa, Staff Counsel at (916) 341-5189 or ppulupa@waterboards.ca.gov.

April 18, 2011

Date

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