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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 INCORPORATE SITE-SPECIFIC WATER EFFECT RATIOS INTO WATER QUALITY OBJECTIVES FOR TOXIC POLLUTANTS AND TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS FOR COPPER AND ZINC IN CHOLLAS CREEK

**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’s) amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the San Diego Basin (Basin Plan) that would Incorporate Site-Specific Water Effect Ratios Into Water Quality Objectives for Toxic Pollutants and Total Maximum Daily Loads for Copper and Zinc in Chollas Creek (Basin Plan amendment). The Basin Plan amendment was adopted by the San Diego Water Board on February 8, 2017 (R9-2017-0015) and is available for review at:

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/board\\_decisions/adopted\\_orders/2017/R9-2017-0015.pdf](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/board_decisions/adopted_orders/2017/R9-2017-0015.pdf)

A copy of the Basin Plan amendment can also be received by mail by contacting Melissa Valdovinos at (619) 521-8039.

**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 submit oral or written comments to the San Diego Water Board and 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](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/reg9_subscribe.shtml) and choose Basin Planning Issues. 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 Wednesday, October 18, 2017**. 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](mailto: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)

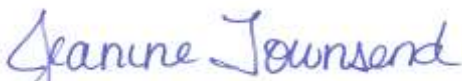
Please also indicate in the subject line, "**Comment Letter – Chollas Creek WERs for Copper and Zinc**".

**REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMITTING COMMENTS** (23 Cal. Code Regs., § 3779, subd. (f)).  
Comments submitted to the State Water Board must 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 Melissa Valdovinos, Water Resource Control Engineer at San Diego Water Board, at (619) 521-8039 or [melissa.valdovinos@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:melissa.valdovinos@waterboards.ca.gov); Adriana Nunez, Staff Counsel at (916) 322-3313 or [adriana.nunez@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:adriana.nunez@waterboards.ca.gov).

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Date August 23, 2017

  
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Jeanine Townsend  
Clerk to the Board