



Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

concerning

**PROPOSED GENERAL WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
FOR
DISCHARGES FROM DOMESTIC WASTEWATER SYSTEMS
WITH FLOWS GREATER THAN 100,000 GALLONS PER DAY**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Coast Water Board) is accepting comments on proposed General Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) for Discharges from Domestic Wastewater Systems with Flows Greater Than 100,000 Gallons per Day in the Central Coast Region (General Permit). You may download the proposed General Permit from the Central Coast Water Board's website at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/board_decisions/tentative_orders

The Central Coast Water Board currently regulates 43 domestic wastewater systems with flows greater than 100,00 gallons per day through the issuance of individual waste discharge requirements (individual permits). These individual permits are inconsistent, and many are outdated. Central Coast Water Board staff have drafted the proposed General Permit to provide consistent requirements for wastewater systems with common characteristics and similar treatment methods. After adoption, most of the 43 wastewater systems will be transitioned over time to the new General Permit and their individual permit terminated.

A public hearing to consider adoption of the proposed General Permit will be held during the Central Coast Water Board meeting scheduled for:

September 25, 2020

Due to COVID-19 safety concerns, the meeting location and format (in person or video conference) will be determined at a later date. The final meeting agenda and Staff Report will be available at least 10 days before the Board meeting, at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/board_info/agendas/2020/2020_agendas.html

The agenda will provide the specific date this item will be considered during the Board meeting, indicate the anticipated order of all agenda items, and may include staff revisions to the proposed General Permit.

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS. Persons interested in providing written comments on the proposed General Permit are encouraged to submit comments by electronic mail. Comment letters must be received by **9:00 a.m. on July 20, 2020**. Comment letters received after that deadline will not be accepted and will not be included in the administrative record absent a ruling by the Central Coast Water Board Chair. Any person requesting to submit late comments must demonstrate good cause for the late submission and the Chair must find that accepting the late submission will not prejudice the Central Coast Water Board or the Discharger. All interested persons and the Discharger may speak at the public meeting and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral comments will be limited in time by the Chair.

Written comments are to be sent to RB3-WDR@Waterboards.ca.gov, by email (must be no more than 15 megabytes) or by mail to:

Waste Discharge Requirement Program
Central Coast Water Board
895 Aerovista Place, Suite 101
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

Please also indicate in the subject line **Comment Letter – General Permit for Large Domestic Wastewater Systems**.

Please direct any questions about this notice to RB3-WDR@Waterboards.ca.gov or to Kelsey Gerhart (805) 594-6182.

FUTURE NOTICES

The Central Coast Water Board will hold the public meeting at the time and place noted in the agenda (see link above). Any change in the date, time, and place of the Board Meeting will be noticed through the e-mail distribution list and posted on the Water Board's website.

Any person desiring to receive future notices concerning changes to the notice of public meeting and consideration of adoption, and other updates about the General Permit must sign up for the e-mail distribution list. To sign up for the e-mail distribution email list, access the Region 3 E-mail Subscription form, select the box for "Large Domestic Wastewater General Order", and provide the required information. The subscription form is located at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/reg3_subscribe.html

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.