

Limited Term Renewal of the Conditional Waiver of WDRs for Discharges from Irrigated Lands (Order No. R3-2010-0040)

Item 11
July 8, 2010

Staff Recommendation

Summary:

- July 2004 - Initial Ag Order adopted
- July 2009 – Order expired
 - One-year extension
- Public Review Draft Order – Nov 2010
- Final Draft Order to Board – Feb 2011

Staff Recommendation:

- 18-Month extension of existing Order

Public Comments

- Supports 18-month Extension
 - Various agricultural groups
- Opposes 18-month Extension
 - Monterey Coastkeeper
 - Santa Barbara Channelkeeper
 - Environmental Justice Coalition for Water
 - Environmental Defense Center of SB

Conclusion

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EXTRA SLIDES

Next Steps

- ✓ July-August 2010- meet with stakeholders
- ✓ Sept-Oct 2010- revise Order
- ✓ November 2010 - release Draft Order for Public Review and Comment
 - Measure pollution reductions
 - Establish milestones (that can be reported)
 - Establish timeframes to address water quality issues
- ✓ February 2011- Propose revised order (responsive to comments) to Board

Additional Time

- Review and consider comments and alternatives
- Revise draft Order
- Extend public comment period

PUBLIC OUTREACH

DECEMBER 2008 - PRESENT

- Ag Advisory Panel (~10 months)
- Public Comment -Preliminary Draft Order (~4 months)
- 16+ outreach events/meeting
- May 12 Public Workshop
- July 8 Public Workshop
- *Focused stakeholder meetings*
- *Public Comment – Revised Order, MRP*
- *Public Hearing*

Proposed Time Schedule

Timeframes for processing an Order
using a 30 day comment period
(Includes time for internal review for
water board staff).

February 3, 2011 Board Meeting (approximately 19 weeks)

**July/Aug – Address public comments,
meet with focus groups**

Sept – Draft Order/MRP

Oct – Final internal review

Nov – Start 30 day comment period

Dec – Public comments due

**Jan – Finalize draft Order for
presentation to the Board**

May 12, 2011 Board Meeting (approximately 33 weeks)

July/ Sept –Address public comments, meet with focus groups

Oct/Nov – Draft Order/MRP

Dec/Jan – Final internal review

Feb – Start 30 day comment period

Mar – Public comments due

Apr – Final Draft Order for presentation to the Board

July 7, 2011 Board Meeting (approximately 41 weeks)

**July/Nov – Address public comments,
meet with focus groups**

Dec/Jan – Draft Order/MRP

Feb/Mar – Final internal review

Apr – Start 30 day comment period

May – Public comments due

**June – Final Draft Order for
presentation to the Board**

Example of Order Renewal Timeline

Order Renewal Timelines											
	June	July - Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb			
For February 2011											
	Craft strategy for Order revision and begin revision of Draft Order and MRP	Address public comments, meet with focus groups, and draft Order and MRP	Internal review of Draft Order and MRP	Revised Order and MRP to Senior and to Roger, Michael, and Lisa	Release and Public Notice of revised Order and MRP	Comments Due - 30 day comment period	Final Draft Order and MRP for Board consideration	Board Meeting - Board to consider revised Order			
For May 2011											
June	June	July - Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
	Craft strategy for Order revision and begin revision of Draft Order and MRP	Address public comments	Meet with focus groups	Draft Order and MRP	Internal review of Draft Order and MRP		Revised Order and MRP to Senior and to Roger, Michael, and Lisa	Release and Public Notice of revised Order and MRP	Comments Due - 30 day comment period	Final Draft Order and MRP for Board consideration	Board Meeting - Board to consider revised Order