
Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

Notice of Public Meeting

**Thursday, April 17, 2025, 9:00 a.m.
Watsonville City Council Chambers
275 Main Street, 4th Floor, Watsonville**

**Friday, April 18, 2025, 9:00 a.m.
McFadden Woodchip Bioreactor
Between 179 and 181 McFadden Road, Salinas
(in person only)**

Video and Teleconference Option: This meeting will occur with both a physical meeting location and an option for the public to participate from a remote location. Except when consistent with the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act, a majority of the members will be physically present at the meeting locations noticed above.

- For those who wish to watch the meeting, a webcast is available at <https://cal-span.org/static/index.php> and should be used UNLESS you intend to comment.
- Persons wishing to provide public comment during the meeting on specific items on the agenda or during the public forum on matters not on this agenda are requested to complete an electronic comment request card by 9:00 a.m., Thursday, April 17, 2025. However, comment request cards will be accepted prior to the start of individual items. In addition to the electronic comment request cards, hard copy comment request cards will also be available at the physical meeting location.
- Public forum will be held on **Thursday, April 17**. The comment card and instructions how to fill out a comment card are available at the following website along with additional information about participating telephonically or via the remote Zoom option:
https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/board_info/remote_meeting/
- Public comment is typically limited to three minutes unless otherwise approved by the Board Chair, and the Board Chair may need to adjust the amount of time each speaker has to ensure everyone has an opportunity to provide public comment. Requests for extra time to provide public comment must be sent to the clerk to the Board at RB3-CommentLetters@waterboards.ca.gov by **12:00 noon, Monday, April 14, 2025**.

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Board Business

1. Roll call and declaration of quorum
[Harvey Packard, Clerk to the Board, 805/549-3140,
Harvey.Packard@waterboards.ca.gov]
2. Introductions
[Ryan Lodge, Executive Officer, 805/549-3140,
Ryan.Lodge@waterboards.ca.gov]
3. Approval of Board meeting minutes, February 20-21, 2025
4. Board member communications, including ex parte disclosures and Board member reports. Board members will identify any ex parte discussions they may have had requiring disclosure pursuant to Government Code section 11430.40, and Board members may discuss communications, correspondence, or other items of general interest relating to matters within the Board's jurisdiction.
5. Report by State Water Resources Control Board Liaison
[Sean Maguire, 916/341-5877, Sean.Maguire@waterboards.ca.gov]

Public Forum

6. Any person may orally address the Board regarding a matter within the Board's jurisdiction that is not related to an item on this meeting agenda. Comments will generally be limited to three minutes, unless otherwise approved by the Chair. See instructions at the beginning of this agenda notice for submitting a request for extra time. Comments regarding pending adjudicatory matters will not be permitted.

Discussion/Informational Items

7. Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary Programs Update
[Mary Hamilton, Environmental Program Manager, 805/542-4768,
Mary.Hamilton@waterboards.ca.gov, and
Daniel Ellis, Senior Environmental Scientist, 805/549-3889,
Daniel.Ellis@waterboards.ca.gov]

Staff Report

8. State Water Resources Control Board Office of Enforcement Board, Enforcement Presentation [Tamara Anderson, Senior Water Resource Control Engineer, 805/549-3334, Tamara.Anderson@waterboards.ca.gov]

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9. Active Oilfield Program Update
[Megan Mortimer-Lamb, Engineering Geologist, 805/549-3395, Megan.Mortimer-Lamb@Waterboards.ca.gov; Joey Sisk, Senior Water Resource Control Engineer, 805/542-4638, Joey.Sisk@waterboards.ca.gov]

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10. Department of Defense Program Update
[Karyn Steckling, Water Resource Control Engineer, 805/549-3465, Karyn.Steckling@waterboards.ca.gov, Bryan Little, Engineering Geologist, 805/549-3887, Bryan.Little@waterboards.ca.gov; Amber Sellinger, Senior Engineering Geologist, 805/549-3866, Amber.Sellinger@waterboards.ca.gov]

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Administrative Items

11. Executive Officer's Report
[Ryan Lodge, Executive Officer, 805/549-3140, Ryan.Lodge@waterboards.ca.gov]

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[Attachment 1: Table 1 - 401 Water Quality Certification Applications Received](#)

[Attachment 2: Table 2 - 401 Water Quality Certifications Issued](#)

[Attachment 3: Table 3 - Groundwater Section, Case Closure Performance Scoreboard](#)

[Attachment 4: Table 4 - Groundwater Case Closures](#)

[Attachment 5: Table 5 - Enrollments in General Orders/Waivers](#)

Enforcement

12. Consideration of a proposed resolution to refer the Sable Offshore Corp. matter to the California Attorney General for potential judicial enforcement. [Tamara Anderson, Senior Water Resource Control Engineer, 805/549-3334, Tamara.Anderson@waterboards.ca.gov, Naomi Rubin, Attorney Supervisor, 916/341-5677, Naomi.Rubin@waterboards.ca.gov]

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The meeting will start at the McFadden Woodchip Bioreactor for Item 14.

Board Business

13. Roll Call

[Angela Schroeter, Clerk to the Board, 805/549-3140,
Angela.Schroeter@waterboards.ca.gov]

Educational Field Trip

14. Field Trip – Tour of McFadden Woodchip Bioreactor and Castroville Wetland Treatment Systems

[Katie McNeill, Environmental Scientist, 805/549-3336,
Katie.McNeill@waterboards.ca.gov and Daniel Ellis, Senior Environmental Scientist, 805/549-3889, Daniel.Ellis@waterboards.ca.gov]

The Board will meet at the McFadden Woodchip Bioreactor located between 179 and 181 McFadden Road, Salinas, CA (meeting place coordinates: 36.693143, -121.728458). The field trip will include a presentation at the site, led by the Resources Conservation District of Monterey County and Central Coast Water Quality Preservation, Inc. The field trip will also include a visit to the Castroville Treatment Wetland and presentations by the Central Coast Wetlands Group.

The public is invited to participate; however, space is very limited, and transportation will not be provided. **Persons interested in participating in the tour must RSVP by 12:00 noon, Monday April 14, 2025, by emailing the clerk to the Board at RB3-CommentLetters@waterboards.ca.gov**

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Closed Session

15. The Board may meet in closed session to consider personnel matters (Gov. Code § 11126 subd. (a)), to deliberate on a decision to be reached based upon evidence introduced in a hearing (Gov. Code § 11126, subd. (c)(3)), or to discuss matters in litigation, including discussion of initiated litigation, significant exposure to litigation, or decisions to initiate litigation (Gov. Code § 11126, subd. (e)). The Board is not required to allow public comment on closed session items. (Gov. Code § 11125.7, subd. (e)).
[Sophie Froelich, Attorney IV, State Water Board Office of Chief Counsel, (916/319-8557, Sophie.Froelich@waterboards.ca.gov)]

Litigation filed against the Central Coast Water Board:

1. 2019 Amendments to CAO for Cleanup at Dutch Maid Cleaners, 3323 State Street, Santa Barbara – *San Roque Clean Up Fund and Trust U/W of Emil Deloreto v. California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coast Region, et al.* (Santa Barbara Superior Court, Anacapa Division, Case 20CV00022)
2. *San Jerardo Cooperative Inc. et al. v State Water Resources Control Board and California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coast Region et al.*, Verified Petition for Writ Of Mandate, Sacramento County [Case No. 23WM000108] [seeking among other things, a writ of mandate requiring the Regional Board to vacate and set aside provisions of Agricultural Order R3-2021-0040 related to protecting riparian and wetland habitat and to readopt the Order with a stated purpose of protecting and enhancing riparian and wetland habitat with associated management practices].
3. *County of Santa Barbara v. State Water Resources Control Board and California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coast Region et al.*, Petition for Writ of Mandate, San Luis Obispo County [Case # 24 CV-0391] [seeking, among other things, a writ of mandate removing Petitioner as a named responsible party under Cleanup and Abatement Order (CAO) R3-2023-0070, or to exclude Petitioner from responsibility for the requirements set forth in the CAO].
4. *Santa Maria Public Airport District v. California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coast Region, et al.*, Petition for Writ of Mandate, County of San Luis Obispo [Case # 24 CV 0379] [seeking, among other things, a finding that the Petitioner is not properly named as a discharger under CAO R3-2023-0070 and a stay of all items due under the CAO].
5. *City of Santa Maria v. California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coast Region, et al.*, Petition for Writ of Mandate, County of Santa Barbara [Case # 24 CV 07257] [seeking, among other things, a finding that the Petitioner is not properly named as a discharger under CAO R3-2023-0070 and a stay of all items due under the CAO].
6. *Steinbruner v. Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board et al.*, *Petition for Writ of Mandate and various other actions*, California Superior Court, County of Santa Cruz, [Case # 25-CV-00708] [challenging two permits issued to the City of Santa Cruz (Waste Discharge Requirements Order R3-2023-0001) and Soquel Creek Water District, Pure Water Soquel Project (Waste Discharge Requirements Order R3-2023-0033) and other actions of the Central Coast Water Board].

Litigation filed by the Central Coast Water Board against other parties, including referrals to the Office of the Attorney General:

7. Referral to Attorney General concerning Big Basin Woods Subdivision Wastewater Treatment Plant, Resolution R3-2023-0030
8. Referral to Attorney General concerning Casmalia Hazardous Waste Site Litigation: *United States v. State of California and Related Matters a. California Department of Toxic Substances Control, California Regional Water Quality*

Control Board, Central Coast Region, v. Quintana Petroleum Co. et al., Central District of California, Case No. 2:24-CV-05483 [complaint for cost recovery].

IMPORTANT INFORMATION!

If you have questions about the agenda, contact the clerk to the Board at (805) 549-3140 or by email at: RB3-CommentLetters@waterboards.ca.gov. Written comments must generally be received prior to the Board meeting by the comment deadline for the specific agenda item. Written comments that are received after deadlines set by item-specific notices and/or hearing procedures will not generally be admitted. In addition, written comments will not generally be admitted for informational items that do not have a specific comment deadline. Any person requesting to submit late materials or materials for informational items must demonstrate good cause, and the Chair must find that the admission of the late materials would not prejudice the Central Coast Water Board or any interested persons or designated parties. The Chair may modify this rule to avoid severe hardship. Unless otherwise specified, all parties and interested persons must submit written comments, presentation materials, and requests for extra time to speak to the Board for items on the agenda by **12:00 noon on Monday, April 14, 2025**. Admittance of written comments and requests for extra time to speak are subject to Board Chair approval. A late request for extra time will not prevent the party from speaking to the Board for the three minutes provided to all members of the public.

Submittals are to be sent via email to the clerk to the Board at RB3-CommentLetters@waterboards.ca.gov. Please indicate in the subject line, “**APRIL 17, 2025, BOARD MEETING** (fill in bolded subject from appropriate item).” If you have questions about the agenda, contact the clerk to the Board at (805) 549-3140.

Agenda and items are available electronically at:
https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/board_info/agendas/

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http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/centralcoast/board_info/agendas/board_meeting_conduct.pdf

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- Call the Office of Public Participation at (916) 341-5254

- Email the Office of Public Participation at opp-languageservices@waterboards.ca.gov

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