

## Media Release

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## **Workshops Scheduled To Assist Growers with Annual Compliance Form**

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SAN LUIS OBISPO – The Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Water Board) is partnering with Monterey County's TechMobile and local colleges to assist growers in submitting required information to the Water Board.

The TechMobile is a converted semi-trailer equipped with computer workstations to bring technology to the community. Growers with Tier 2 and Tier 3 farms must submit the Annual Compliance Form to the Water Board, electronically, by December 1, 2012. Upcoming grower assistance workshops are scheduled in various parts of the region, and Spanish-speaking assistance is available. While many growers have already successfully submitted their Annual Compliance Form to the Water Board, growers who still need to submit are encouraged to attend the workshops if they need assistance.

"The Central Coast Water Board is committed to helping growers in their efforts to comply with the Agricultural Order," said Ken Harris, the Central Coast Water Board's Interim Acting Executive Officer. "We have received a lot of positive feedback about the workshops and encourage growers to take advantage of these opportunities".

Upcoming workshops include:

- October 26, 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m., Santa Maria Hancock College, Room S101
- October 30, 1:30 p.m. 4:30 p.m., Greenfield Mary Chapa School
- Additional workshops may be scheduled, based upon need.

For more information about the Agricultural Order, go to the Central Coast Water Board's website at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water issues/programs/ag waivers/index.shtml

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