



# Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Regarding

#### DRAFT WASTE DISCHARGE AND WATER RECLAMATION REQUIREMENTS ORDER R3-2025-0008 FOR THE PURE WATER MONTEREY ADVANCED WATER PURIFICATION FACILITY AND GROUNDWATER REPLENISHMENT REUSE PROJECT FOR ISSUANCE TO MONTEREY ONE WATER MONTEREY COUNTY

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coast Region (Central Coast Water Board) will accept public comments on the proposed Order R3-2025-0008 (Order) and hold a public hearing to propose adoption of the Order. You may download the draft Order from our website at the following address:

#### https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/board\_decisions/tentative\_orders/

The draft Order includes requirements for Monterey One Water's Pure Water Monterey Advanced Water Purification Facility (AWPF) and Groundwater Replenishment Reuse Project, which includes production of advanced treated recycled water for landscape irrigation by Marina Coast Water District and for injection wells to replenish the Seaside groundwater basin. The project also includes conveyance pipelines to deliver advanced treated recycled water to the injection wells and monitoring wells. Monterey One Water has operated the AWPF and Groundwater Replenishment Reuse Project since February 2020, pursuant to Central Coast Water Board Order R3-2017-0003. Draft Order R3-2025-0008 would authorize an increased operating capacity of the AWPF from 5.0 million gallons per day (MGD) to 7.6 MGD and an increased injection capacity into the Seaside groundwater basin from 3,700 acre-feet per year (AFY) to 5,950 AFY with additional injection wells. The draft Order continues to allow for production of advanced treated recycled water for landscape irrigation by Marina Coast Water District.

### SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS BY AUGUST 22, 2025

Interested persons are invited to submit comments in writing to the Central Coast Water Board no later than 5:00 PM on <u>August 22, 2025</u>. Please electronically submit comments or questions with the subject line "Comment Letter, Pure Water Monterey" to: <u>RB3-WDR@Waterboards.ca.gov</u>. Written comments can be mailed to:

#### Recycled Water Unit Central Coast Water Board 895 Aerovista Place, Suite 101, San Luis Obispo, 93401

All comments received prior to that date will be considered in the formulation of staff recommendations regarding the waste discharge requirements. The Central Coast Water Board will not accept written comments or other written submittals on the proposed waste discharge requirements after 5:00 PM on **August 22, 2025**, unless the Chair of the Central Coast Water Board rules that exclusion would create a hardship and that the late submission will not prejudice any party or the Central Coast Water Board. Any person submitting late comments or other submittals must explain why such materials were not submitted by 5:00 PM on **August 22, 2025**. The Chair of the Central Coast Water Board will rule on late submittals at or before the hearing. Late submittals that consist of evidence (as opposed to policy statements or comments) are generally prejudicial unless all parties and Central Coast Water Board staff have time to consider the evidence before the hearing.

# PUBLIC HEARING OCTOBER 9-10, 2025

The Central Coast Water Board will hold a public hearing on **October 9-10, 2025**, to consider the issuance of the proposed Order at the following location:

Santa Barbara County Offices Board of Supervisors Hearing Room 105 East Anapamu Street, 4<sup>st</sup> Floor, Santa Barbara

Interested persons are invited to attend the hearing and may make oral comments relevant to the proposed action. The Chair of the Central Coast Water Board will impose time limits on oral comments. Information will be available as part of the meeting agenda, at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/board\_info/agendas/2025/2025\_agendas. html

# STAFF CONTACT AND DOCUMENTS

The permit application, fact sheet, related documents, and all comments received may be reviewed and copied by the public. Please submit any requests to review documents electronically to *RB3-WDR@Waterboards.ca.gov*. Note that many documents are available on the State Water Resources Control Board GeoTracker website under the "Site Map/Documents" tab at:

https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/profile\_report.asp?global\_id=WDR100039680

Please direct questions pertaining to the draft Order to Rachel Hohn at (805) 549-3147 or via email <u>rachel.hohn@waterboards.ca.gov</u> or Leah Lemoine at (805) 549-3159 or via email at <u>leah.lemoine@waterboards.ca.gov</u>.

### LANGUAGE SERVICES

The draft Order is available in English. To request translation of written documents, interpretation services in another language or sign language services, please use one of the following options:

- Submit a Language Services Request online
- Call the Office of Public Participation at (916) 445-5615
- Email the Office of Public Participation at <a href="mailto:opp-languageservices@waterboards.ca.gov">opp-languageservices@waterboards.ca.gov</a>

La Junta Regional para el Control de la Calidad del Agua (Regional Water Quality Control Board) está notificándoles a todas aquellas personas interesadas sobre un orden preliminar para la planta de tratamiento de aguas residuales y el proyecto de reposición de aquas subterráneas de "Monterey One Water." Si desea obtener información en español, póngase en contacto con RB3-WDR@Waterboards.ca.gov.

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