
Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

REVISED NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

**Proposed revision to the Waste Discharge Requirements for Growers
within the Sacramento River Watershed (R5-2014-0030)**

On 23 April 2015, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (Central Valley Water Board) released a proposed revision to the Waste Discharge Requirements for Growers within the Sacramento River Watershed that are Members of a Third-Party Group R5-2014-0030 (Order). This revised notice provides notification of one additional change as shown in underline text below. The proposed revision released in the 23 April notice remains unchanged. The 23 May 2015 deadline for submitting written comments remains unchanged, and is described later in this notice.

- Allow additional time for the third-party to submit the Comprehensive Groundwater Quality Management Plan (Comprehensive Management Plan). The Comprehensive Management Plan development is dependent on the vulnerability designations yet to be determined in the Groundwater Assessment Report.
- Add language to the Monitoring and Reporting Program providing the Coalition an opportunity to participate in an Executive Officer approved Regional Monitoring Program.

Electronic copies of documents showing the proposed revisions to the Sacramento River Watershed Order are available on the Central Valley Water Board's website:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water_issues/irrigated_lands/new_waste_discharge_requirements/index.shtml#apr2015sacriverwdr

Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley Water Board's office at 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114, on weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

A public hearing concerning the proposed revisions to the Sacramento River Watershed Order will be held in Rancho Cordova on 4/5 June 2015, at which time the board will consider adoption. The board will only consider adoption of the proposed revision, and will not be re-considering other aspects of the Order. The hearing date and location are noted below:

Date: 4/5 June 2015
Time: 8:30 AM
Location: Central Valley Water Board
Rancho Cordova Office
11020 Sun Center Drive, #200
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

The final meeting agenda will be available at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/#jun452015 at least ten days before the meeting. The agenda will provide the hearing date for the revision to the Sacramento River Watershed Order, indicate the anticipated order of agenda items, include all material related to this agenda item, and may include staff revisions.

Written comments on the proposed revisions to the Sacramento River Watershed Order must be received at the Central Valley Water Board office or at the email address below **by 23 May 2015**. Comments on other matters associated with the Order, outside of the scope of the proposed revisions, will not be considered at this hearing. Persons submitting written comments are encouraged to do so electronically by sending them to susan.fregien@waterboards.ca.gov. Otherwise, written comments may be sent to the above address to the attention of Susan Fregien. Comments received by 23 May will be included in the administrative record; submitted comments will be considered and a written response will be prepared. Written comments shall not be read into the record unless allowed by the Central Valley Water Board Chair.

At the hearing, staff will present a final recommendation for Central Valley Water Board consideration. Interested persons will be provided the opportunity to present oral comments to the Central Valley Water Board at the hearing. Oral testimony will be limited in time by the Central Valley Water Board Chair. Interested persons may be asked to respond to clarifying questions from Central Valley Water Board members, counsel, staff, or others, at the discretion of the Central Valley Water Board Chair. The Chair may, at his discretion, allow presenters to supplement their oral testimony with slides or other digital media. If you plan to use visual aids such as PowerPoint slides, contact staff prior to the meeting to arrange for equipment set-up. You must provide a printed or electronic copy of any visual aids.

Ex Parte Communications. Ex parte communications are allowed in this matter subject to the disclosure requirements of Water Code section 13287. **Ex parte communications are prohibited for a period beginning 14 days before the board meeting at which the proposed order is scheduled for board action.** For communications concerning any issue in this proceeding, ex parte communications are prohibited starting on **21 May**. If the board does not take action on **4/5 June**, the ex parte prohibition will remain in place until the board, the Chair or the Executive Officer directs otherwise. Once lifted, the prohibition on ex parte communications may be reinstated for 14 days before the day of the board meeting to which the decision is continued. The board will provide notice via the Lyris email list for this item if the prohibition is lifted and/or reinstated.

The procedures governing Central Valley Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Central Valley Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/. Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the board's website at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml or by contacting any one of the Central Valley Water Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzarda at (916) 464-4839.

Any questions regarding the proposed action should be directed to Susan Fregien at (916) 464-4813 or susan.fregien@waterboards.ca.gov.

The workshop facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzarda at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

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

Original Signed By

ADAM LAPUTZ, Assistant Executive Officer
30 April 2015