

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

NOTICE OF STAFF WORKSHOP DELTA MERCURY CONTROL PROGRAM UPDATE

**03 September 2026
9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M. PDT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) staff will hold a staff workshop on 03 September 2026 from 9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M. PDT.

The Central Valley Water Board established a total maximum daily load (TMDL) for methylmercury and an associated implementation plan of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary, collectively referred to as the Delta Mercury Control Program (DMCP). The DMCP was designed to protect human and wildlife health in the Delta and meet the Central Valley's total mercury load allocation from the San Francisco Bay Water Board. The DMCP was adopted by the Central Valley Water Board on 22 April 2010 as an amendment to the Central Valley Region Water Quality Control Plan for the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River Basins. USEPA approved the TMDL on 20 April 2011.

In 2024, The Central Valley Water Board released a Staff Report for Peer Review of the DMCP Phase 1 Review of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary TMDL for Methylmercury. The Staff Report underwent Scientific Peer Review, and the Central Valley Water Board is considering refinement of the current program approach based on new data. This update process is collectively known as Reconsideration.

The Central Valley Water Board is committed to working with the public, communities, Tribes, permittees, local/State government, USEPA, and NGOs to inform the Delta Mercury Control Program Reconsideration process and gather questions and suggestions to be included in the Delta Mercury Control Program Reconsideration.

Accordingly, the Central Valley Water Board staff will be holding a workshop at a physical location, with an option to participate virtually.

The purpose of the staff workshop is to:

- Briefly describe the Delta Mercury Control Program background.
- Provide an update on the Delta Mercury Control Program Reconsideration and proposed modifications.
- Provide an opportunity to ask questions.

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Please note this is not a formal written comment period for a proposed board action. A public meeting where formal oral and written comments are accepted will be held at a future time. This meeting will be hosted by Board staff; a quorum of the Board will not be present.

Staff Workshop Date and Location

This workshop will be hosted at the Central Valley Water Board (Rancho Cordova Office) and online (via Zoom). Participants may attend either in person or remotely.

Date: 03 September 2026

Time: 9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M. PDT

Place: Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
11020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

Free parking is available, and the Board building is accessible to individuals with disabilities. Upon arrival, please check in at the front desk.

How to Attend this Meeting

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For Questions and Comments:

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Resources

For more information on the Delta Mercury Control Program, please visit the [Central Valley Water Board's Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Methylmercury TMDL website](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/rwqcb5/water_issues/tmdl/central_valley_projects/delta_hg/) (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/rwqcb5/water_issues/tmdl/central_valley_projects/delta_hg/). If you wish to receive information about future meetings and project updates, please enter your email address in the "Email Subscription List" box on the right side of the website.

Contact Information

Questions regarding this notice should be directed to RB5S-MercuryProgram@waterboards.ca.gov or Lauren Leles at Lauren.Leles@waterboards.ca.gov.

Please bring the above information to the attention of those who may be interested.