
Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

FEBRUARY 7, 2022 AMENDED ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS

**RENEWAL OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS AND NPDES PERMIT FOR
STORMWATER DISCHARGES BY THE BOEING COMPANY, SANTA SUSANA
FIELD LABORATORY
(NPDES PERMIT NO. CA0001309)**

On February 10, 2022, the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Los Angeles Water Board) will hold a public hearing on the tentative National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for The Boeing Company (Boeing), Santa Susana Field Laboratory (SSFL) site. The Los Angeles Water Board set forth the process it will use at the hearing on the tentative NPDES Permit in a Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment and Notice of Public Hearing dated December 8, 2021 (Notice), and a Revised Notice on January 5, 2022 (Revised Notice).¹ This February 7, 2022 Amended Order sets forth certain procedural matters for the public hearing; the Los Angeles Water Board Chair's rulings on objections to the February 10, 2022 hearing; and the amended order of proceedings.²

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

The following procedural matters are addressed herein:

As specified in the Notice and the Revised Notice, the hearing on the tentative NPDES Permit for SSFL (Agenda Item 13 on the February 2022 Board Meeting Agenda) will be held on February 10, 2022 at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Los Angeles Water Board (February 2022 Board Meeting). **The hearing on the tentative NPDES Permit for SSFL will begin no earlier than 12:30 p.m. on February 10, 2022.**

Per an Agenda issued on February 4, 2022, if necessary, the Los Angeles Water Board will hold a meeting on February 17, 2022 to continue its consideration of,

¹ The Revised Notice is available here: [Notice for Public Comment and Public Hearing \(ca.gov\)](#)

² These Procedural Matters are in addition to, and supplement, those set forth in the Revised Notice on January 5, 2022, the Agenda for the Los Angeles Water Board's February 10, 2022 Board Meeting ([Feb. 2022 Board Meeting Agenda \(ca.gov\)](#)); the Agenda for the Los Angeles Water Board's February 17, 2022 Board Meeting ([Feb. 17 Board Meeting Agenda \(ca.gov\)](#)); and the February 2, 2022 Order on Requests for Party Status, Procedural Matters, and Order of Proceedings ([FEBRUARY 2, 2022 ORDER ON REQUESTS FOR PARTY STATUS, PROCEDURAL MATTERS, AND ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS \(ca.gov\)](#)). If anything in this Amended Order conflicts with anything in the Revised Notice or the Agenda, or the February 2, 2022 Order, this Order shall govern.

and deliberations on, the item listed in the February 10, 2022 Notice and Agenda as Item 13, the consideration of Boeing’s NPDES Permit for the SSFL Site.

The deadline for submission of PowerPoint presentations or other visual aids for Item 13 on the February 10, 2022 Agenda is extended to Thursday February 10, 2022 at 7 a.m., as explained in further detail below.

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During the public hearing on this agenda item at the February 2022 Board Meeting, Los Angeles Water Board staff will provide an overview of the Revised Tentative Permit, including proposed modifications as a logical outgrowth of written comments received, and put forth their recommendations on the Tentative Permit. Parties and members of the public (called “Interested Persons”) will then have the opportunity to orally address the Board. No new written materials may be submitted per the Revised Notice, which established a written comment deadline of January 18, 2022. If any person uses a PowerPoint presentation or other visual aids, they must submit a copy to the Los Angeles Water Board by 7:00 a.m. on February 10, 2022, to Duong Trinh via email at Duong.Trinh@waterboards.ca.gov, and Gerardo Rabelo via email at Gerardo.Rabelo@waterboards.ca.gov. Parties and Interested Persons with similar concerns or opinions are encouraged to choose one representative to speak, and are encouraged to coordinate their presentations with each other, and to summarize their written comments. Repetitive comments are discouraged.

As set forth in the Agenda for the February 10, 2022 Meeting (Agenda), all comments on the SSFL Tentative Permit will be limited to 3 minutes unless previously approved by the Board Chair as indicated below:

Speaker / Organization(s)	Time (min.)
Boeing (Permittee)	30
Community Organizations (Parties)	30
Councilmember Ruth Luevanos (City of Simi Valley)	7
Heal the Bay, Los Angeles Waterkeeper, Wishtoyo Chumash Foundation, Surfrider Foundation	10
Santa Susana Mountain Park Association	5

Questions from the Board and the time to answer them will not be charged against the parties’ or interested persons’ allotted time.

Members of the public can register to speak at the February 10, 2022 Board hearing via the Zoom registration link [Webinar Registration - Zoom](#) and indicate in their registration that they wish to speak on this item, Item 13.

RULINGS ON OBJECTIONS TO FEBRUARY 10, 2022 HEARING

On February 7, 2022, the Los Angeles Water Board received a request from the Community Organizations, parties to this proceeding, to postpone the February 10, 2022 hearing on the Tentative Permit, and to allow another opportunity for written comments on the revised Tentative Permit. In the alternative, the Community Organizations asked that the hearing scheduled for February 10, 2022 be carried over to the February 17, 2022 Board Meeting. Finally, in the alternative again, if the Los Angeles Water Board did not grant these requests, the Community Organizations asked that the deadline to submit any PowerPoint presentations to be used at the February 10, 2022 Board Meeting be extended to the end of the day on Wednesday, February 9, 2022. The reason given for these requests was that the Board's response to written comments, the revised Tentative Permit, and the revised Limits Comparison Table were circulated on Friday, February 4, 2022.

The Board Chair has considered these requests, and has ruled as follows:

1. The request to postpone the hearing on the Tentative Permit, and to allow an opportunity for written comments for 30 days on the revised Tentative Permit is DENIED.
2. The request to postpone the start of the hearing on the Tentative Permit to February 17, 2022 is DENIED.
3. The request to extend the deadline to submit PowerPoint presentations on Item 13 of the Board's February 10, 2022 Agenda is GRANTED. Any such PowerPoint Presentations shall be submitted no later than 7:00 a.m. on February 10, 2022.

Finally, the revised Tentative Permit, including the revised reasonable potential analysis (RPA); response to written comments; and the revised Limits Comparison Table have been posted on the Los Angeles Water Board's website: [Tentative Waste Discharge Requirements and National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit Renewal – The Boeing Company, Santa Susana Field Laboratory, Canoga Park, California | Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board](#).