
Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

April 15, 2022

Mr. Gerald Snow
Environmental Assessment Branch Chief
California Department of Water Resources
William E. Warne Power Plant
Highway 99 at Pyramid Lake (west of Interstate 5 at the Smokey Bear off-ramp)
Castaic, CA 91310

Dear Mr. Snow:

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON THE TENTATIVE WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS (WDRS) AND NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT RENEWAL – CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, WILLIAM E. WARNE POWER PLANT, CASTAIC, CALIFORNIA (NPDES NO. CA0059188, CI NO. 6610)

We have completed our review of your application for your permit to discharge waste under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Program. Pursuant to the Federal Clean Water Act, as amended, and in accordance with the California Water Code, tentative waste discharge requirements have been prepared.

Enclosed are copies of the following:

1. Tentative requirements, consisting of:
 - a. Board Order;
 - b. Standard Provisions (Attachment D);
 - c. Monitoring and Reporting Program (Attachment E);
 - d. Fact Sheet (Attachment F);
 - e. Attachments A, B, C, G and H
2. Public Notice

In accordance with administrative procedures, the Los Angeles Water Board at a public hearing to be held on **June 9, 2022, at 9:00 A.M.**, location TBD, will consider the enclosed tentative waste discharge requirements, and comments submitted in writing regarding any and all portions thereof. A virtual platform is also available for those who want to join online. Please follow the directions provided in the agenda to register or to view the Board meeting. The Los Angeles Water Board will hear any testimony pertinent to these waste discharge requirements. It is expected that the Board will take action at the hearing; however, as

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testimony indicates, the Board, at its discretion, may postpone taking action. The agenda for the meeting will be posted on the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board's website

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approximately one week prior to the meeting.

Written comments regarding these tentative Order must be received at the Los Angeles Water Board office by **5:00 p.m. on May 16, 2022**, in order to be evaluated by Board staff and included in the Board's agenda folder. Comments received after that date will not be considered, absent extraordinary circumstances. Timely submittal of written comments is encouraged to ensure that all comments are accurately and fully included in the administrative record, that Board staff is able to provide timely review, and that Los Angeles Board members have sufficient time to give full consideration to the comments and issues raised. The Los Angeles Water Board chair may exclude from the record written materials received after this date. (See Cal. Code Regs., tit.23 § 648.4)

With respect to the public notices, in accordance with the Federal Clean Water Act, as amended, and the California Code of Regulations, the public notice will be posted on the Los Angeles Water Board's website

(https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/board_decisions/tentative_orders/#1).

If you have any further questions, please contact Adriana Vallejo at adriana.vallejo@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Bronwyn K. Kelly, PG, PMP
Industrial Permitting Unit, Supervisor

Enclosures: Tentative NPDES Permit for William E. Warne Power Plant

cc: See Mailing List

**Mailing List
(via email only)**

Elizabeth Sablad, Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, Permit Branch
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Joan Matthews, Natural Resources Defense Council
Corrine Bell, Natural Resources Defense Council
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Loni Adams, Department of Fish and Wildlife Service, Region 5
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