

State of California California Environmental Protection Agency Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

PERCHLORATE PUBLIC ADVISORY GROUP (PPAG) FACT SHEET (August, 2003)

OVERVIEW

The Perchlorate Public Advisory Group (PPAG) was established by the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board in March 2003 and in response to a growing interest in water quality in Los Angeles and Ventura Counties. PPAG's mission is twofold. First, PPAG seeks to provide an informal forum for the exchange of information about perchlorate, its impact to surface and ground waters, and contaminant control and remediation technologies. Second, PPAG seeks to provide meeting participants with information which will be helpful when developing, coordinating and implementing strategies to prevent, identify, control or remediate surface or ground water pollution.

PARTICIPATION OPPORTUNITIES

PPAG meetings are open to everyone who is interested in learning about perchlorate, its occurrence and current and future efforts to eliminate its presence in surface and groundwaters within the coastal watershed. Meetings are held quarterly, typically at the Regional Board's office in the Junipero Serra Building, 320 West Fourth Street, Suite 200, Los Angeles, CA. Upcoming PPAG meeting dates, locations and agendas can be viewed on the Regional Board's web site at:

http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/~rwqcb4/html/perchlorate.html

PPAG ACTIVITIES and ACCOMPLISHMENTS

PPAG meetings have provided an important opportunity for authorities from various disciplines to exchange state-of-the-art information on perchlorate. Previous meetings have included presentations on the nature and extent of perchlorate pollution in Los Angeles and Ventura Counties; development of a Public Health Goal (PHG) and Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for perchlorate; and detection methodologies and remediation technologies for the pollutant. Many of the presentations given during, as well as minutes of, PPAG meetings can be viewed by going to the web address listed above.

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