

California North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board
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Notice of Public Hearing

of

Proposed Modification Order No. R1-2017-0047

for

**City of Healdsburg
Wastewater Treatment, Recycling, and Disposal Facility**

**NPDES NO. CA0025135
WDID NO. 1B820460SON**

Sonoma County

On the basis of preliminary staff review and application of lawful standards and regulations, the California North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) proposes to adopt Modification Order No. R1-2017-0047 for the City of Healdsburg Wastewater Treatment, Recycling, and Disposal Facility. Modification Order No. R1-2017-0047 will modify existing National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Order No. R1-2016-0015 by applying site-specific copper criterion for the protection of beneficial uses in the Russian River. Order No. R1-2016-0015 would remain in effect with no other changes.

This item will be open for public comment between **September 11, 2017, and October 11, 2017.**

Public Hearing Procedures

A public hearing to consider comments and objections to the proposed Order is scheduled for **December 13, 2017**, at 8:30 a.m., in Santa Rosa, California, or as announced in the Regional Water Board's agenda. The Board Meeting is scheduled for two days, December 12 and 13, 2017, and will be held at:

**Regional Water Board Hearing Room
5550 Skylane Blvd., Suite A
Santa Rosa, California 95403**

Please be aware that dates and venues may change. Our Web address is <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast> where you can access the current agenda for changes in dates and locations. At the public hearing, the Regional Water Board will consider whether to affirm, reject, or modify the proposed Modification Order.

In order for the Regional Water Board to consider any evidentiary material concerning this hearing, any documents, including written technical reports and other evidentiary material, must be submitted to NorthCoast@waterboards.ca.gov no later than 5:00 p.m., on **October 11, 2017**. All documents that are received timely will be distributed to the Regional Water Board members and interested persons. These records will also become a permanent part of the administrative record for this public hearing.

Except at the discretion of the Regional Water Board Chair, written material received after the above date will not be accepted. If the Chair chooses to accept late written material, that material will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice the Permittee or the Regional Water Board staff. The Chair may choose to modify this rule upon a showing of severe hardship (California Code of Regulations, Title 23, sections 648.1 and 648.4).

All those who plan to testify at this hearing must submit written statements to the Regional Water Board no later than **October 11, 2017**. The statements should provide the name of the witness, his or her qualifications (if an expert), and the scope of his or her intended testimony. The time limit for oral testimony or comments will be set by the Regional Water Board Chair and are subject to change. These time limits normally allow no more than 10 minutes each for Regional Water Board staff and Dischargers. All speakers are expected to honor these time limits. Other interested persons may also provide testimony at this public hearing. However, any testimony given by someone other than staff or the Dischargers, may be limited to 3 minutes and may only be given under the limited scope of summarizing or explaining any timely-submitted or late-accepted written evidence. No new evidence will be allowed to be presented at this public hearing. In an effort to be fair to all people who wish to testify at this public hearing, the Regional Water Board Chair may choose to use a timer to ensure that individuals stay within the time limits set by the Chair. The Chair also requests that in order to avoid unnecessary repetitive testimony, that one spokesperson be selected to speak on behalf of many individuals when those individuals share a common affiliation or interest.

Document Review

The Proposed Permit and related documents are available at the Regional Water Board's website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast/public_notices/public_hearings/npdes_permits_and_wdrs.shtml. Additionally, the Proposed Permit and file may be inspected or copied at the Regional Water Board office, 5550 Skylane Boulevard, Suite A, Santa Rosa, California. Appointments are recommended for document review. Appointments can be made by calling (707) 576-2220.

Matthias St. John
Executive Officer

September 11, 2017