California North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board 5550 Skylane Boulevard, Suite A Santa Rosa, CA 95403 (707) 576-2220

Notice of Public Comment Period, Workshop and Hearing

of

Proposed Order No. R1-2023-0005 to Renew
Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements
Order No. R1-2018-0018 Scott River TMDL Conditional Waiver of Waste
Discharge Requirements

Order No. R1-2018-0019 Shasta River TMDL Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements

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 Order No. R1-2023-0005, which renews existing Order No. R1-2018-0018 Scott River TMDL Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements and existing Order No. R1-2018-0019 Shasta River TMDL Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements.

This item will be open for public comment between **November 23, 2022 and January 3, 2023**.

Public Workshop Procedures

A public workshop for staff to present the background and justification for the proposed action and receive oral comments from the public is scheduled for the Regional Water Board's **December 8, 2022** Board Meeting, or as announced in the Regional Water Board's agenda. The meeting will be held at the Regional Water Quality Control Board in Santa Rosa, California.

Public Hearing Procedures

A public hearing to consider comments and objections to the proposed order to renew existing waivers is scheduled for the Regional Water Board's **April 6, 2023** Board Meeting, or as announced in the Regional Water Board's agenda. The meeting will be held virtually and at a physical location. The physical meeting is currently planned for a

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location in Siskiyou County. The location is still to be determined. Please access the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board website for updates to meeting dates and venues and instructions for accessing the meeting from a remote location.

At the public hearing, the Regional Water Board will consider whether to affirm, reject, or modify the proposed order. The Regional Water Board will accept written and oral comments and evidence regarding this item. Written comments and evidence must be submitted to the Regional Water Board by email at NorthCoast@waterboards.ca.gov by the end of the public comment period at **5pm on January 3, 2023**. 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 Affected Parties 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).

Oral comments or testimony at the hearing may summarize or explain timely submitted, or late-accepted written evidence but shall not introduce new evidence. 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 20 minutes each for Regional Water Board staff and Affected Parties. 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 Affected Parties is limited to 5 minutes. A timer may be used, and speakers are expected to honor time limits. Where speakers can be grouped by affiliation or interest, such groups will be expected to select a spokesperson to avoid unnecessary or repetitive testimony

Document Review

The Proposed Order and related documents are available at the Regional Water Board's website for tentative orders for Board decisions. Additionally, the Proposed Order, 2018 orders, and staff report for this item 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 and can be made by calling (707) 576-2220.

Matthias St. John Executive Officer November 23, 2022