

NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP  
NONPOINT SOURCE FIVE YEAR PLAN  
FOR THE  
NORTH COAST REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD

Notice is hereby given that the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, North Coast Region (Regional Water Board) will hold a public workshop to discuss development of a Five Year Plan to address Nonpoint Source (NPS) pollution in the North Coast Region.

**When:** June 18, 2013  
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**Where:** US Department of Agriculture  
USDA Service Center  
5630 S Broadway St, Eureka, CA 95503  
(707) 442-6058

**Who Should Attend:** Public and private land owners; state and federal agency representatives, environmental groups; and other interested and concerned groups or individuals.

During the public workshop, Regional Water Board staff will present background for a proposed 5-Year NPS Plan and take comments regarding the content of the proposed 5-Year Plan. Information presented at the workshop will be considered public comment. Regional Water Board members may or may not be present at this meeting, but a quorum of the Board will not be present. Regional Water Board Staff's recommendations for the NPS 5-year Plan will be presented as an information Item at the August 22, 2013 Regional Water Board meeting in Santa Rosa.

### **Background**

The Nonpoint Source Program Plan, developed by the State Water Resource Control Board (State Water Board), the Regional Water Quality Control Boards (Regional Water Boards) and the California Coastal Commission (CCC), is a comprehensive statewide program that represents a significant commitment by the State to focus its efforts to reduce and prevent nonpoint source (NPS) pollution.

The State NPS Program is currently updating the NPS Program Strategy, which is based on a 15-year planning horizon for 2013-2028, while the Regional Water Boards will be updating their NPS Program Five-Year Implementation Plans for 2013-2018 to meet this requirement. The State reviews and evaluates its nonpoint source management program using environmental and functional measures of success, and revises its nonpoint source assessment and management program at least every five years. The North Coast Region last went through this planning process in 2008, with the result being the Five Year Plan that has guided NPS regulation for the period of 2008-13. Guidance from the USEPA and State Water Board emphasize the need to devise measureable milestones and performance measures.

**Staff Contact**

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