



State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE AMENDMENT TO THE LOS ANGELES REGION WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN TO ESTABLISH A COPPER WATER EFFECTS RATIO FOR MARINA DEL REY HARBOR AND TO REVISE THE TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD FOR TOXIC POLLUTANTS IN MARINA DEL REY HARBOR

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the State Water Resources Control Board ("State Water Board") is seeking written public comments on the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board's ("Regional Water Board") amendment to the Los Angeles Region Water Quality Control Plan to establish a copper water effects ratio for Marina del Rey Harbor and to revise the Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for toxic pollutants in Marina del Rey Harbor.

BACKGROUND

The Regional Water Board adopted the Basin Plan amendment on June 27, 2024, by Resolution No. R24-003. The Basin Plan amendment revises the 2014 Marina del Rey Harbor Toxics TMDL to incorporate a site-specific water effects ratio (WER) into water column copper targets. The 2014 TMDL included a provision for a special study to develop a WER for the purpose of modifying the numeric targets for copper to reflect site-specific conditions. A special copper WER study was completed in 2019-2020.

The Basin Plan amendment establishes site-specific copper water quality objectives based on the WER study and revises the assigned load allocations (LAs) for boats discharging copper in accordance with the revised LAs. The proposed revisions in the Basin Plan amendment take into account site-specific conditions in Marina del Rey Harbor while remaining fully protective of the aquatic life in these waterbodies.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

A link to electronic copies of the Basin Plan amendments are available on the Regional Water Board's website at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/water_issues/programs/tmdl/bpa_details.ph p?id=143.

Alternatively, a copy of the Basin Plan amendment can also be received by mail by contacting Hope Sexton at (213) 576-6787 or Hope.Sexton@waterboards.ca.gov.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING WRITTEN COMMENTS

Persons interested in the Basin Plan amendment are encouraged to submit comments electronically. Comment letters must be received **by 12:00 noon on October 6, 2025**. Comment letters received after that deadline will not be accepted unless the State Water Board determines otherwise.

Address comments to Courtney Tyler, Clerk to the State Water Board. Please indicate in the subject line: "Comment Letter – Marina del Rey Harbor Cu WER and Toxics TMDL".

Written comments may be submitted electronically in pdf format (if less than 15 megabytes in total size) to the Board Clerk via e-mail at commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov. If the file is greater than 15 megabytes in size, then the written comments may be submitted by fax at (916) 341-5620.

Alternatively, comments may be submitted by hand delivery or mail to:

Courtney Tyler, Clerk to the Board State Water Resources Control Board 1001 I Street, 24th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814-0100 (hand delivery) P.O. Box 100, Sacramento, CA 95812-2000 (mail)

Couriers delivering written comments must check in with lobby security personnel, who can contact Courtney Tyler at (916) 341-5611.

REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMITTING COMMENTS

In accordance with California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 3779, subdivision (f), the State Water Board may refuse to accept any comment that does not satisfy all of the following requirements:

- 1. Comments must specifically address the final version of the Basin Plan amendment adopted by the Regional Water Board.
- 2. If the Regional Water Board previously responded to a similar or identical comment, the commenter must explain why and in what manner the commenter believes each of the responses provided by the Regional Water Board to each comment was inadequate or incorrect.
- The commenter also must include either a statement that each of the comments
 was timely raised before the Regional Water Board, or an explanation of why the
 commenter was unable to raise the specific comment before the Regional Water
 Board.

REQUEST NOTICE OF STATE WATER BOARD MEETING

The State Water Board will separately publish a notice of an agenda for the meeting at which it will consider adopting a resolution to approve the Basin Plan amendment. To receive notice of the meeting at which the State Water Board will consider approving the Basin Plan amendment, please subscribe to the list serve e-mail distribution list by accessing the following e-mail list subscription form:

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please direct questions about this notice to Hope Sexton, project lead at the Los Angeles Water Board, by email at Hope Sexton at Hope.Sexton@waterboards.ca.gov or (213) 576-6787.

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