
State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON PROPOSED APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE SANTA ANA RIVER BASIN TO EXTEND THE WET WINTER CONDITIONS COMPLIANCE DEADLINE FOR BACTERIAL INDICATOR TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS IN THE MIDDLE SANTA ANA RIVER WATERSHED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will accept comments on the proposed approval of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region's (Santa Ana Water Board) Water Quality Control Plan for the Santa Ana River Basin (Basin Plan) to extend the Wet Winter Conditions compliance deadline for bacterial indicator Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) in the Middle Santa Ana River Watershed (Basin Plan Amendment).

Background

The Santa Ana Water Board adopted the Basin Plan amendment on March 13, 2026, by [Resolution No. R8-2026-0014](#). The resolution incorporates a revision limited to extending the schedule for attaining the Middle Santa Ana River Watershed Bacterial Indicator TMDLs in Wet Winter Conditions and establishing a Phase 2 Implementation Plan.

Document Availability

The Basin Plan Amendment and supporting documents are available for review at: [Santa Ana Regional Water Board | Middle Santa Ana River Bacteria TMDL](#).

Submission of 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 July 6, 2026**. Comment letters received after that deadline will not be accepted unless the State Water Board determines otherwise. Send comments to Courtney Tyler, Clerk to the State Water Board, by email at commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov (**must be no more than 15 megabytes**); fax at (916) 341-5620; or mail or hand delivery to:

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

Please also indicate in the subject line, **“Comment Letter— Amendment to Incorporate Revised Bacteria TMDLs for the Middle Santa Ana River”**

If you would like a copy of any or all of the written comments submitted on this subject, please send a request to commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov, identifying the subject listed above. Written comments will not be available until after the comment deadline.

Requirements for Submitting Comments

The State Water Board will not accept any new evidence not already presented to the Regional Water Board during its consideration of the Basin Plan Amendment. In accordance with 23 Cal. Code Regs., § 3779, subd. (f), the State Water Board may refuse to accept any comments that do not satisfy all the following requirements:

1. Comments must specifically address the final version of the Basin Plan Amendment adopted by the Santa Ana Water Board.
2. If the Santa Ana 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 Santa Ana Water Board to each comment was inadequate or incorrect.
3. The commenter also must include either a statement that each of the comments was timely raised before the Santa Ana Water Board, or an explanation of why the commenter was unable to raise the specific comment before the Santa Ana Water Board.

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A copy of the Basin Plan Amendment can be received by mail by contacting the staff identified below.

Contact Information

Staff contact: Lauren Hubbell at lauren.hubbell@waterboards.ca.gov or 951-320-6375

_____ May 20, 2026
Date



Courtney Tyler
Clerk to the Board