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## State Water Resources Control Board

### NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

#### PROPOSED APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION (BASIN PLAN) TO ESTABLISH A TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD FOR BACTERIA IN SAN PEDRO CREEK AND AT PACIFICA STATE BEACH, AND NEW IMPLEMENTATION PROVISIONS FOR BACTERIA WATER QUALITY OBJECTIVES

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will accept comments on the proposed approval of the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board's (San Francisco Bay Water Board's) amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the San Francisco Bay Basin (Basin Plan) that would establish a total maximum daily load for bacteria in San Pedro Creek and at Pacifica State Beach, and new implementation provisions for bacteria water quality objectives (Basin Plan amendment). The Basin Plan amendment was adopted by the San Francisco Bay Water Board on November 14, 2012, and is available for review at:

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/water\\_issues/programs/TMDLs/pacificabacteria/tmdl.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/water_issues/programs/TMDLs/pacificabacteria/tmdl.shtml).

A copy of the Basin Plan amendment can also be received by mail by contacting Farhad Ghodrati at (510) 622-2331.

**REQUEST NOTICE OF STATE BOARD MEETINGS.** The State Water Board will separately publish an agenda for the meeting at which it will consider adopting a resolution approving the Basin Plan amendment. Oral comments at the State Water Board meeting generally will be limited to a summary of the written comments submitted during the written comment period. Persons interested (including those who submit oral or written comments to the San Francisco Bay Water Board and State Water Board) in receiving notice of the meeting at which the State Water Board will consider approving the Basin Plan amendment **must subscribe** to: [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email\\_subscriptions/reg2\\_subscribe.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/reg2_subscribe.shtml). The State Water Board encourages use of its electronic mailing list. Persons who require notice by regular mail must submit such request to the San Francisco Bay Water Board contact identified below.

**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 February 18, 2013**. Comment letters received after that deadline will not be accepted unless the State Water Board determines otherwise.

Send comments to Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the State Water Board, by email to [commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov) (must be no more than 15 megabytes); fax to (916) 341-5620; or mail or hand delivery to:

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


Please also indicate in the subject line: "**Comment Letter—Pacifica Bacteria TMDL.**"

**REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMITTING COMMENTS** (23 Cal. Code Regs., § 3779, subd. (f)).  
The State Water Board may refuse to accept any comments that do not satisfy all of the following requirements:

1. Comments must specifically address the final version of the Basin Plan amendment adopted by the San Francisco Bay Water Board.
2. If the San Francisco Bay 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 San Francisco Bay 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 San Francisco Bay Water Board, or an explanation of why the commenter was unable to raise the specific comment before the San Francisco Bay Water Board.

Please direct any questions about this notice to Farhad Ghodrati, Environmental Scientist, San Francisco Bay Water Board, at (510) 622-2331 or [fghodrati@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:fghodrati@waterboards.ca.gov); or Tamarin Austin, Staff Counsel, at (916) 341-5171 or [taustin@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:taustin@waterboards.ca.gov).

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Date      January 18, 2013

  
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Jeanine Townsend  
Clerk to the Board