January 20, 2016

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

PROPOSED APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE CENTRAL COASTAL BASIN TO ESTABLISH TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS FOR SEDIMENT TOXICITY AND PYRETHROID PESTICIDES IN SEDIMENT IN THE LOWER SALINAS RIVER WATERSHED IN MONTEREY COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Coast Water Board) will accept comments on the proposed approval of the Central Coast Water Board's amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Central Coastal Basin (Basin Plan) that would establish Total Maximum Daily Loads for sediment toxicity and pyrethroid pesticides in sediment in the lower Salinas River watershed.

The Basin Plan amendment documents are available for review at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/tmdl/docs/salinas/sed_tox/index.shtml

A copy of the Basin Plan amendment can also be received by mail by contacting Peter Meertens at (805) 549-3869 or <u>Peter.Meertens@waterboards.ca.gov</u>.

NOTICE OF CENTRAL COAST WATER BOARD MEETING: The Central Coast Water Board will separately publish an agenda for the meeting at which it will consider adopting a resolution approving this proposed Basin Plan amendment.

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS: Persons interested in commenting on the proposed Basin Plan amendment are encouraged to submit written comments electronically. Comment letters **must be received by 12:00 noon on Monday, March 7, 2016**. Comment letters received after that deadline will not be accepted unless approved by the Central Coast Water Board's Chair.

Please send comments to Peter Meertens at the Central Coast Water Board by email at <u>Peter.Meertens@waterboards.ca.gov</u> (must be no more than 15 megabytes); or by postal mail or hand delivery at:

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Please direct any questions about this notice to Peter Meertens, Environmental Scientist at the Central Coast Water Board, at (805) 549-3869 or <u>Peter.Meertens@waterboards.ca.gov</u>.