



# **Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board**

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP

The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board will hold a
Workshop to Discuss Activities Related to the
Pacific Forest and Watershed Stewardship Council
and the
Central Valley Salinity Alternatives for Long-Term Sustainability
(CV-SALTS) Initiative

The **Public Workshop** will be held during a
Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board meeting
on
Tuesday June 12, 2012
at 1:00 p.m.

at the Central Valley Water Board 1685 E Street Fresno, CA

#### **BACKGROUND**

Stewardship Council: The Pacific Forest and Watershed Lands Stewardship Council was established in 2004 as part of a PG&E settlement agreement with the California Public Utilities Commission. The agreement establishes that 140,000 acres of PG&E's watershed lands will be conserved for its public and environmental resources. Membership on the Council governing board was established in the settlement agreement, and includes a representative from the Central Valley Water Board.

CV-SALTS: In 2006, a joint State and Central Valley Water Board workshop documented the need for a comprehensive management plan to address salt and nitrate control, degradation and pollution in surface and ground waters throughout the Central Valley and initiated a stakeholder-lead effort. In March of 2010, a Memorandum of Agreement was signed between the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board, the Central Valley Salinity Coalition (stakeholder organization) and the State Water Resources Control Board, supporting a stakeholder lead process (CV-SALTS) to coordinate salt and nitrate controls and management, regulatory and planning efforts in and affecting the Central Valley Region. In January 2012, an updated strategy, approach and workplan were approved for the CV-SALTS initiative, which can be viewed at: <a href="http://cvsalinity.org/index.php/agendas/doc\_download/918-cv-salts-program-work-plan-v-8-approved-3912">http://cvsalinity.org/index.php/agendas/doc\_download/918-cv-salts-program-work-plan-v-8-approved-3912</a>

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- 1. Introductions and Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. <u>Public Forum:</u> Any member of the public may address the Board on any matter within the Board's jurisdiction, as long as it is not a matter pending before the Board. (3 minute time limit per subject)
- 3. <u>Pacific Forest and Watershed Lands Stewardship Council Update</u>: The Board will be provided with an update on recent activities conducted by the Stewardship Council. This is an information item only; no board action will be taken.
- 4. <u>CV-SALTS Information Item</u>: The Board will host a discussion regarding activities addressing salt and nitrate in the context of the stakeholder-driven CV-SALTS initiative. Although the Board members may provide feedback, this is an information item only, and no Board action will be taken.

A more detailed agenda will be available prior to the meeting date.

### PROCEDURAL MATTERS

At the workshop there will be no sworn testimony or cross-examination of participants, but the Central Valley Water Board may ask clarifying questions. Opportunity will be provided for oral presentations by interested parties. To ensure a productive and efficient workshop, oral presentations from any interested persons may be limited to <u>3-minutes</u> at the discretion of the Board Chair.

### INFORMATION REGARDING WORKSHOP

If you have any questions, please contact Pam Buford at (559) 445-5576 or by e-mail at: <a href="mailto:pbuford@waterboards.ca.gov">pbuford@waterboards.ca.gov</a>.

### PARKING AND ACCESSIBILITY AND SECURITY

There is parking at the Central Valley Water Board office and parking spaces are in the vicinity of the building along E Street. (<u>location map</u>). The Central Valley Water Board office is accessible to people with disabilities. Individuals who require special accommodations are requested to contact Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi, Assistant to the Board, at (916) 464-4839.

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