

**NOTICE OF FILING OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS AND
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD, SAN DIEGO REGION

**TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS FOR
COPPER, LEAD AND ZINC IN CHOLLAS CREEK, TRIBUTARY TO SAN DIEGO BAY**

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**March 9, 2007
9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 100
San Diego California 92123-4340**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

**April 25, 2006 9:00 a.m.
Regional Board Hearing Room
9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 100
San Diego California 92123-4340**

GENERAL INFORMATION

On June 29, 2005, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (Regional Board) adopted this Basin Plan Amendment (BPA) to incorporate Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for copper, lead, and zinc in Chollas Creek, meeting the requirements of section 303(d) of the Federal Clean Water Act, via the amendment process authorized under section 13240 of the California Water Code. The BPA was submitted to the State Water Resources Control Board (State Board) for adoption.

The State Board remanded the BPA back to the Regional Board on May 2, 2006, for recirculation of the Environmental Documents, i.e., the CEQA substitute documents, to ensure that the public has adequate opportunity to comment on changes to the Environmental Checklist Form made after the close of the previous public comment period. The Regional Board wishes to obtain public input on this matter.

FILING OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS

Action on, and potential adoption of, the proposed BPA will be taken in accordance with a regulatory program exempt under section 21080.5 of the Public Resources Code from the requirement to prepare environmental documents under the CEQA [Public Resources Code section 21000 *et seq.*] and other applicable laws and regulations. In compliance with the State Water Resources Control Board's CEQA implementation regulations [23 CCR 3720 *et seq.*] the Regional Board has prepared CEQA substitute documents including a Technical Report, a Tentative Basin Plan Amendment, and an Environmental Analysis & Checklist for this project [23 CCR 3776]. These documents will be available for review on March 9, 2007. The documents may be viewed at the Regional Board office, or on the Regional Board web page at <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/rwqcb9/>.

REQUEST FOR PUBLIC INPUT

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments. **Please submit written comments no later than Monday, April 23, 2007.** Comments should be submitted in either MS WORD or pdf format by email at: btobler@waterboards.ca.gov.

Comments on paper may also be submitted, but electronic format is preferred. Comments on paper should be submitted to:

Mr. Benjamin Tobler, Water Resources Control Engineer
California Regional Water Quality Control Board
San Diego Region
9174 Sky Park Court, Ste. 100
San Diego, CA 92123-4340.

AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS

Information related to this matter will be available on March 9, 2007, and may be reviewed at the Regional Board office or on the Regional Board web page at <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/rwqcb9/>. For additional information please contact Mr. Benjamin Tobler at (858) 467-2736.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Regional Board will hold a public hearing on, and potentially adopt, this BPA on April 25, 2007, during the Regional Board meeting beginning at 9:00 a.m. The public hearing will be held at the Regional Board's office, in the Board Room.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Parking is available at the hearing location. See the Regional Board web site for a map to the hearing location. The hearing room facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals who require special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Lori Costa at (858) 467-2357 at least 5 working days prior to the hearing. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Questions concerning this notice may be directed to Mr. Benjamin Tobler.

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John H. Robertus
Executive Officer

June 1, 2007