

**NOTICE OF FILING, NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP,
AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD,
SAN DIEGO REGION**

**TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS FOR INDICATOR BACTERIA,
PROJECT I – BEACHES AND CREEKS IN THE SAN DIEGO REGION**

PUBLIC WORKSHOP

9:00-12:00 a.m.

**Wednesday January 11, 2006
Regional Board Hearing Room
9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 100
San Diego California 92123-4340**

PUBLIC HEARING

9:00 a.m.

**Wednesday February 8, 2006
Regional Board Hearing Room
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The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (Regional Board) is considering a Basin Plan amendment to incorporate Total Maximum Daily Loads for Indicator Bacteria, Project I – Beaches and Creeks in the San Diego Region. This action is being proposed to meet requirements of section 303(d) of the federal Clean Water Act. The Basin Plan amendment process is authorized under section 13240 of the Water Code. The Basin Plan amendment will be a project subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the Regional Board will be the lead agency. The Regional Board wishes to obtain public input on this matter.

FILING OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS

Action on the proposed Basin Plan amendment 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 a technical report, initial draft of the Basin Plan amendment, and Environmental Checklist Form for this project [23 CCR 3776]. These documents will be available for review on December 9, 2005. The documents may be viewed at the Regional Board office, or on the web page at <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/rwqcb9/>.

PUBLIC WORKSHOP

A public workshop will be held on January 11, 2006, from 9:00 to 12:00 a.m. in the Board Room at the Regional Board's office. The purpose of the workshop is to provide an overview of the project, answer questions, and receive comments from the public.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Regional Board will hold a public hearing on this matter on February 8, 2006, 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. The Regional Board will deliberate on and consider action on the bacteria TMDLs at a subsequent meeting.

REQUEST FOR PUBLIC INPUT

Interested persons are invited to attend the hearing to present testimony. Oral statements will be heard, but for accuracy,

testimony should be presented in writing. Submittal of written comments is encouraged. **Written comments are due no later than Wednesday, February 8, 2006, at the close of the Regional Board's public hearing.** Submittal of written comments prior to February 8, 2006, is encouraged. Comments submitted prior to February 2, 2006, at 5 p.m. will be provided to the Regional Board members in advance of the public hearing.

Comments should be submitted in either MS WORD or pdf format by email at: carias@waterboards.ca.gov. Comments on paper may also be submitted, but electronic format is preferred. Comments on paper should be submitted to:

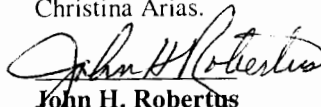
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San Diego Region
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AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS

Informational documents related to this matter will be available on December 9, 2005, and may be reviewed at the Regional Board office or on the web page at <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/rwqcb9/>. For additional information please contact Ms. Christina Arias at (858) 627-3931.

INFORMATION

Parking is available at the workshop and hearing location. See the Regional Board web site for a map to the workshop and hearing location. The workshop and 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 January 11, 2006 workshop or the February 8, 2006 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 Ms. Christina Arias.


John H. Robertus
Executive Officer
December 6, 2005