NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Clean Water Act Sections 305(b) and 303(d) Integrated Report for the San Diego Region

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board) will hold a public hearing on October 12, 2016, to consider adoption of the proposed Clean Water Act sections 305(b) and 303(d) Integrated Report for the San Diego Region (Integrated Report). The Public Hearing will be held during the San Diego Water Board Meeting scheduled as follows:

Wednesday, October 12, 2016
9:00 a.m.
San Diego Water Board, Board Meeting Room
2375 Northside Drive, Suite 100; San Diego, CA 92108

CWA section 305(b) requires each state to report biennially to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) on the water quality condition of its waters. CWA section 303(d) requires each state to develop, update, and submit biennially to the USEPA a list of waterbodies or segments that are “impaired or threatened” which either do not meet, or are not expected to meet, water quality standards. To fulfill its obligation to CWA sections 305(b) and 303(d) requirements, the San Diego Water Board has prepared a draft Integrated Report for the San Diego Region.

The San Diego Water Board released the draft Integrated Report for public review and comment on July 12, 2016, held a Public Workshop to discuss the draft Integrated Report on July 19, 2016, and concluded a 30-day public comment period on August 12, 2016. At this time, the written public comment period is closed, and the San Diego Water Board is preparing responses to comments. Written comments and responses to comments (RTC), and a revised Integrated Report based on comments received will be included in a meeting package and provided to the San Diego Water Board members in advance of the public hearing. Verbal comments on the revised Integrated Report will be accepted by the Board during the hearing. The San Diego Water Board will consider the proposed Integrated Report and public comments (received during the written comment period as well as verbally during the hearing), will deliberate, and may adopt the Integrated Report at the close of the Public Hearing.

If adopted by the San Diego Water Board, the Integrated Report and associated documents will be submitted to the State Water Resources Control Board, and subsequently to the USEPA, for approval.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

The draft Integrated Report and written comments received during the public comment period are available and may be reviewed at the San Diego Water Board’s office (see address above) or online at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/water_issues/programs/303d_list/. The meeting agenda package, which will include the revised Integrated Report, public comments, and RTC, will be posted at least two weeks
prior to the meeting date at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/board_info/agendas/. The meeting agenda may also indicate any changes in the meeting location and provide other specific information concerning this hearing.

ELECTRONIC MAILING LIST
To receive future notices pertaining to the Integrated Report, please subscribe to the “Section 303d List” electronic mailing list at:
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/reg9_subscribe.shtml

PARKING AND ACCESSIBILITY
For directions to the San Diego Water Board Office, please refer to:
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/about_us/contact_us/. Two-hour free parking is available on a first-come first-serve basis, and long term fee parking is available in an adjacent parking structure. The facility is accessible to persons with disabilities. The facility is also accessible via public transit.

Persons requiring special accommodation should contact Chris Blank at (619) 521-3382 or Chris.Blank@waterboards.ca.gov at least five (5) days prior to the meeting.

CONTACT INFORMATION
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