California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board) is scheduled to hold a public hearing to consider adoption of Tentative Order No. R9-2015-0001, An Order Amending Order No. R9-2013-0001, NPDES No. CAS010266, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit and Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges from the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) Draining the Watersheds within the San Diego Region (Tentative Order).

The Tentative Order proposes to amend Order No. R9-2013-0001, the Regional MS4 Permit, to address a variety of issues including coverage for Copermittees in Orange County consisting of the County of Orange, Orange County Flood Control District, and the cities of Aliso Viejo, Dana Point, Laguna Beach, Laguna Hills, Laguna Niguel, Laguna Woods, Mission Viejo, Rancho Santa Margarita, San Clemente, and San Juan Capistrano, and incorporation of limited permit provisions applicable to the City of Lake Forest. If adopted, the Tentative Order will supersede the Orange County Copermittees’ current Fourth Term MS4 Permit, Order No. R9-2009-0002.

The public hearing on this matter will be held during the San Diego Water Board meeting scheduled for February 11, 2015 in the Council Chambers of the City of Mission Viejo, located at 200 Civic Center, Mission Viejo, CA 92691. The item will be heard during the meeting that starts at 9:00 A.M. The meeting notice and agenda, which will indicate any changes in the meeting location and may provide other specific information concerning this hearing, will be posted at least two weeks prior to the meeting date at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/board_info/agendas/.

Written comments including testimony, technical documentation and factual information pertaining to the terms and conditions of the Tentative Order are no longer being accepted. However, oral testimony at the public hearing will be allowed. The scope of oral testimony at the public hearing will be strictly limited to summarizing the previously submitted written comments, comments on revisions to the Tentative Order made in response to comments, and making policy statements. Oral testimony will be limited in time by the Board Chair.

The procedures governing San Diego Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, section 647, et seq. and are available upon request. The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. The meeting notice and agenda for this meeting will provide contact information for persons requesting special accommodations.

Information related to this matter, including revisions made to the Tentative Order in response to written comments timely submitted, as well as the San Diego Water Board’s responses to written comments timely submitted, will be available at the San Diego Water Board’s office and the San Diego Water Board’s storm water web page in advance of the public hearing. A separate notice will be sent announcing the availability of the revised Tentative Order and the responses to comments upon website posting of the documents.

Please contact Laurie Walsh at (619) 521-3382 or Laurie.Walsh@waterboards.ca.gov for questions or comments regarding this hearing notice.

Please bring the foregoing to the attention of any person known to you who would be interested in this matter.

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Executive Officer
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