

**NOTICE OF CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) SCOPING MEETING
regarding**

**Development of a Basin Plan Amendment to Incorporate Updates to the Total Dissolved Solids
and Nitrogen Management Plan for the Santa Ana Region**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to California Public Resources Code Section 21083.9, staff of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region (Regional Board) will hold a CEQA scoping meeting regarding a proposed amendment of the Water Quality Control Plan for the Santa Ana River Basin (Basin Plan) to update the Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) and Nitrogen Management Plan for the Santa Ana Region. The updates will include the following: 1) creation of a new groundwater management zone, the Upper Temescal Valley Groundwater Management Zone (GMZ) that combines the existing Bedford, Lee Lake and Warm Springs Valley GMZs, 2) establishment of water quality objectives for TDS and nitrate-nitrogen for the Upper Temescal Valley GMZ, and 3) implementation and monitoring requirements for the responsible agencies to ensure that the beneficial uses are protected and the water quality objectives are met for the Upper Temescal Valley GMZ.

WHEN: **June 20, 2018**
3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

WHERE: **Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority**
11615 Sterling Avenue
Riverside, California 92503

The CEQA Scoping meeting will provide participants with the opportunity to comment on the appropriate scope and content of the substitute environmental document that will be prepared for the proposed Basin Plan amendments. The substitute environmental document will be prepared pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080.5, and the State Water Resources Control Board's regulations related to Certified Regulatory Programs (California Code of Regulations, Title 23, Section 3775 *et seq.*).

This scoping meeting will assist the Regional Board in identifying the range of actions, alternatives, mitigation measures, and significant environmental effects, if any, to be analyzed prior to the decision-making process on the recommended Basin Plan amendments.

All comments received and responses to those comments will be included in the final administrative record. Regional Board consideration of the proposed amendments is expected in the early 2019.

Should you need more information about the meeting, you may contact Cindy Li at (951) 782-4906, or at cindy.li@waterboards.ca.gov. The meeting facility is accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodation are requested to contact Ms. Zyanya Blancas at (951) 340-2220, or at ZBlancas@sawpa.org at least five working days prior to the meeting.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.



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Executive Officer

5/17/18
date