

State of California
California Regional Water Quality Control Board
Santa Ana Region
3737 Main Street, Suite 500
Riverside, CA 92501-3348

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
FOR
TENTATIVE ORDER NO. R8-2023-0009

WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS AND MASTER RECYCLING PERMIT
FOR
EAST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
STERLING NATURAL RESOURCE CENTER

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region (Santa Ana Water Board) is releasing for public review and comment tentative Order No. R8-2023-0009 (Tentative Order), which will serve as Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) and Master Recycling Permit for the East Valley Water District's (EVWD's) Sterling Natural Resource Center (SNRC). Using a mailing address of 31111 Greenspot Road, Highland, CA 92346, EVWD applied for issuance of WDRs and Master Recycling Permit, Tentative Order No. R8-2023-0009, under Sections 13263 and 13523.1 of the California Water Code for the SNRC located at 25376 5th Street, San Bernardino, CA 92410. In addition, the Tentative Order includes the approval of a new pretreatment program and pretreatment program requirements for the implementation of an effective pretreatment program pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 2233 and 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 403.

EVWD owns and will operate the SNRC, a new facility, that is in the southwestern area of San Bernardino County and will produce tertiary treated and disinfected recycled water for indirect potable and non-potable reuse. The Tentative Order authorizes the production of tertiary treated and disinfected recycled water to up to 8 million gallons per day and the surface application of the recycled water into the Bunker Hill-B Groundwater Management Zone (indirect potable reuse) and the distribution of recycled water for non-potable reuse.

The Santa Ana Water Board will hold a public hearing to consider adoption of the Tentative Order as follows:

DATE:	December 1, 2023
TIME:	9:00 a.m.
PLACE:	City of Loma Linda 25541 Barton Road. Loma Linda, CA 92534 (remote participation available)

The public may participate either in person at the physical meeting location or virtually via the Zoom meeting platform. Instructions concerning how to participate virtually are available on the Santa Ana Water Board's website at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/santaana/board_info/remote_meeting/index.html.

Interested persons are invited to attend and express their views orally on this matter at the public hearing. Oral statements should be brief to allow all interested persons time to be heard.

Depending on the number of persons wishing to be heard, the Board Chair may impose a time limit for each speaker.

A copy of the Santa Ana Water Board's agenda for the December 1, 2023 meeting will be available on the Santa Ana Water Board's website at least 10 days prior at the following link: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/santaana/board_info/agendas/2023_agendas.html. Please check the Santa Ana Water Board's website for the most up-to-date public hearing date and location, as they are subject to change.

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the Tentative Order during the 30-day public comment period. **Written comments must be received no later than 5 p.m. on November 27, 2023** and must be submitted by email to Julio Lara at Julio.Lara@waterboards.ca.gov; by fax at (951) 781-6288; or mail or hand delivery to:

ATTN: Julio Lara
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Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board
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DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

The Tentative Order, related documents, and all comments and petitions received may be inspected and copied at the Santa Ana Water Board's office, 3737 Main Street, Suite 500, Riverside, CA 92501-3348 (phone 951-782-4130) by appointment scheduled between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Copies of the Tentative Order will be mailed to interested persons upon request to Julio Lara at Julio.Lara@waterboards.ca.gov. The Tentative Order can also be downloaded from the Santa Ana Water Board's website at: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/santaana/board_decisions/tentative_orders/index.html.

ACCESSIBILITY

Any person who requires special accommodation to participate in the Santa Ana Water Board hearing should contact Jessica Baenre at (951) 782-3285 no later than November 22, 2023.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Questions regarding this matter should be directed to Julio Lara by email at Julio.Lara@waterboards.ca.gov or by phone at (951) 782-4901. Please bring the foregoing to the attention of any persons known to you who would be interested in this matter.