

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SANTA ANA REGION
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December 27, 2022

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
FOR
WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS AND CLEAN WATER ACT SECTION 401
CERTIFICATION FOR DREDGED OR FILL MATERIAL DISCHARGES FOR
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, PERRIS DAM
EMERGENCY RELEASE FACILITY (ERF) PROJECT
TENTATIVE ORDER NO. R8-2023-0010**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board (Santa Ana Water Board) is releasing for public review and comment tentative Order No. R8-2023-0010 (Tentative Order) to California Department of Water Resources (Discharger) for Perris Dam Emergency Release Facility (ERF) Project (Project). The Project would modify the current emergency release structure for Perris Dam and construct a water conveyance facility to reliably and safely control a reservoir release and convey emergency flows from Lake Perris to the Perris Valley Channel in the event of an emergency drawdown. The proposed activity would consist of levee construction, construction of a conveyance channel, bank stabilization, as well as appurtenant structures. Implementation of the Project would result in a total of 2.35 acres permanent impact and 0.03 acre temporary impact to waters of the state. The Project would create a new 17.27-acre streambed channel.

The Santa Ana Water Board intends to consider adopting the Tentative Order during a public hearing at a regularly scheduled Santa Ana Water Board meeting as follows:

Date: February 3, 2023
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Location: City of Anaheim
200 S. Anaheim Blvd., Anaheim, CA 92805
(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](#).

Interested persons may 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.

The Santa Ana Water Board's [agenda](#) for the February 3, 2023 meeting will be available on the Santa Ana Water Board's website at least 10 days prior to the meeting. 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

The Santa Ana Water Board will accept written comments on the Tentative Order during a 30-day public comment period. Persons wishing to submit written comments on the Tentative Order are requested to do so as soon as possible, but comments must be received no later than **January 27, 2023**.

Written comments can be submitted to Hossein Shahrokhnia at Hossein.Shahrokhnia@waterboards.ca.gov or by fax at (951) 781-6288. Hand deliveries and mailed comments should be sent to the address below:

Attn: Hossein Shahrokhnia, Environmental Scientist
Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board
3737 Main Street, Ste. 500
Riverside, CA 92501

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

A copy of the Tentative Order is available on the "[Tentative Orders](#)" page of the Santa Ana Water Board's website.

Arrangements for file review and/or obtaining copies of the Tentative Order may be made by calling the Santa Ana Water Board at (951) 782-4130.

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 January 20, 2023.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Questions regarding this matter should be directed to Hossein Shahrokhnia by email at Hossein.Shahrokhnia@waterboards.ca.gov or by phone at (951) 782-4998.