

## Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND ADDITIONAL WRITTEN COMMENT PERIOD ON THE AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE SANTA ANA RIVER BASIN TO INCORPORATE REVISED TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS FOR NUTRIENTS IN LAKE ELSINORE AND CANYON LAKE, RIVERSIDE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region (“Santa Ana Water Board”) will hold a public hearing consider a resolution to approve the draft amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Santa Ana River Basin (Basin Plan) to incorporate Revised Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for Nutrients in Lake Elsinore and Canyon Lake (“Basin Plan amendment”). The Santa Ana Water Board will also accept written comments on changes to the draft TMDL documents that staff circulated in December.

#### PUBLIC HEARING

The Santa Ana Water Board will hold a public hearing to consider adoption of the draft Basin Plan amendment. The public hearing will be held at the following date, time, and location:

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| <b>DATE:</b>     | <b>July 25, 2025</b>  |
| <b>TIME:</b>     | <b>9:00 a.m.</b>  |
| <b>LOCATION:</b> | <b>City of Orange<br/>300 E. Chapman Avenue<br/>Orange, CA, 92866</b> |

The hearing will be recorded. A copy of the recording will become part of the administrative record. The hearing will occur in a physical meeting location with an option for the public to participate from a remote location. See **Procedural Matters**, below, for more information about how to participate in the hearing.

#### WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Santa Ana Water Board accepted written comments on the TMDL from December 27, 2024, through February 10, 2025. Staff has revised the proposed Basin Plan amendment and supporting documentation in response to comments from the City of Banning. The revisions remove the City of Banning as a party responsible for the MS4 Jurisdiction Runoff wasteload allocation (WLA) and make minor changes to the TMDL’s interim milestones (numeric targets) and WLAs consistent with that change.

The revisions are available in redline/strikeout format on the [Lake Elsinore and Canyon Lake TMDL webpage](#). The Santa Ana Water Board will accept written public comments regarding these revisions. Comments unrelated to the revisions will not be accepted. People interested in the revisions to the Basin Plan amendment and supporting documents are encouraged to submit comments electronically. Comment letters must be received **by 12:00 P.M. on June 30, 2025**. Comment letters received after that deadline will not be accepted unless the Santa Ana Water Board determines otherwise. Address comments to [RWQCB8@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:RWQCB8@waterboards.ca.gov). Written comments may be submitted electronically in pdf format (if less than 15 megabytes in total size). If the file is greater than 15 megabytes in size, then the written comments may be submitted by fax at (951) 781-6288. Please indicate in the subject line: **“Comment Letter – Amendment to Incorporate Revised Nutrient TMDLs for Lake Elsinore and Canyon Lake”**.

Alternatively, comments may be submitted by hand delivery or mail to:

Santa Ana Water Quality Control Board  
3737 Main Street, Suite 500  
Riverside, CA 92501-3348

## **BACKGROUND**

More information about the TMDL is available on the [Santa Ana Water Board Webpage](#).

## **PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

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 [Remote Participation](#) webpage. For those who do not intend to actively participate, the meeting will be livestreamed via [Cal-Span](#).

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. Such comments will generally be limited to three minutes, though the Board Chair may grant additional time on a case-by-case basis.

The Santa Ana Water Board’s agenda for the Board meeting will be available on the Santa Ana Water Board’s Agenda webpage at least ten 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.

## **DIRECTIONS AND PARKING**

Please click on the link below for directions and public parking:  
[City of Orange](#)

## **LANGUAGE SERVICES AND ACCESSIBILITY**

If you require language interpretation or sign language services, please email a request to Jessica Baenre at [jessica.baenre@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:jessica.baenre@waterboards.ca.gov) or (951) 782-3285 at least 5 business days prior to the meeting.

Telecommunications Devices for the Deaf (TDD) users may contact the California Relay Service at (800) 735-2929 or voice line at (800) 735-2922.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Please direct questions about this notice or to obtain copies of the Basin Plan amendment and supporting documents to Lauren Briggs, Environmental Scientist, at (951) 320-6375, or by e-mail at [Lauren.Briggs@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Lauren.Briggs@waterboards.ca.gov).

May 15, 2025

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Jayne Joy, P.E.  
Executive Officer