
State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF PROPOSED WEBINAR

Public Stakeholder Workshop to Overview the Peer Review of the Proposed Water Loss Standards

Wednesday, March 24, 2021 – 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. P.S.T
Remote Participation Only

Meeting Link: [Click here to join the meeting](#)

Audio option via phone: +1 916-562-0861 (Dial-in); [531648876#](#) (Conference ID)
[Link to local Numbers](#)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will hold a public stakeholder workshop to receive input prior to initiation of the formal rulemaking process for the development of water loss performance standards. Interested persons can provide input at the meeting. This is an informal stakeholder workshop where a quorum of the State Water Board may be present, but the State Water Board will take no formal action.

BACKGROUND

Water Code [Section 10608.34, subdivision \(j\)](#) (Senate Bill (SB) 555, 2015) requires the State Water Board to adopt volumetric performance standards for water loss for urban retail water suppliers. Pursuant to section 10608.34, urban retail water suppliers are already required to submit annual water loss audit reports to the Department of Water Resources. These standards are structured to integrate seamlessly into future rules to implement Assembly Bill (AB) 1668 and SB 606 (2018). State Water Board Staff have solicited several rounds of comments and modified the proposed economic model to calculate performance standards per stakeholder comments, along with other components of the overall draft regulatory proposal. A peer review of the economic model and its underlying assumptions has been completed, and Staff plan to initiate the formal rulemaking process and associated comment periods soon after this workshop.

PRIOR STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS

The State Water Board has incorporated stakeholder input obtained through [eight public stakeholder workshops](#) and a series of focused group and individual calls with stakeholders in the regulatory proposal.

MEETING PURPOSE

The purpose of this stakeholder meeting is to provide a detailed overview of the recently completed peer review of the proposed economic model and underlying assumptions, to explain the adoption or exclusion of peer reviewer suggestions, and to give

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stakeholders the opportunity to ask questions about the peer review. The meeting will also provide updates on the upcoming formal rulemaking process and timeline. Staff will provide documents for the workshop through the email list provided below.

- State Water Resources Control Board's 'Water Conservation Regulations' email list - You can subscribe to this email list at https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/swrcb_subscribe.html

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Due to ongoing circumstances related to the COVID-19 emergency, all public participation will be remote via an online hosted platform. This workshop will provide opportunities for stakeholder feedback. The presentation slides will be shared via the webinar platform.

NOTICE AND AGENDA

The notice and additional information on the agenda are available at the State Water Board's water loss program webpage:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/conservation_portal/water_loss_control.html

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