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NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT: ADOPTION OF INTENDED USE PLAN (IUP) FOR THE CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND (CWSRF) FOR STATE FISCAL YEAR (SFY) 2008/2009

This announcement is to inform interested and affected parties of the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) plan to consider adopting the SFY 2008/2009 IUP for the CWSRF Program.

The Division of Financial Assistance (Division) is seeking public comments on the proposed SFY 2008/2009 IUP (<u>Exhibit A</u>). The IUP will be considered for adoption by the State Water Board at the Tuesday, September 16, 2008 Board meeting.

The 30-day comment period ends on Thursday, September 11, 2008, at 12:00 noon, Pacific Standard Time (PST). Comments may be submitted by mail, Fax (916) 341-5620, or email to <u>commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov</u>. Instructions for submitting comments can be found near the end of this letter.

BACKGROUND

The Division administers the CWSRF Program to provide low-interest financing agreements for construction of wastewater treatment and water recycling facilities, implementation of Non-Point Source (NPS) projects, programs, and development and execution of the estuary Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plans.

The SFY 2008/2009 IUP is required by the CWSRF federal statutes and regulations, and is a condition of each federal grant capitalization award. The SFY 2008/2009 IUP outlines the State Water Board's business plan for the CWSRF Program during SFY 2008/2009 by identifying the projects the State Water Board expects to fund during SFY 2008/2009. The SFY 2008/2009 IUP includes performance measures to track the effectiveness of the CWSRF Program.

The State Water Board will continue to operate the CWSRF Program as described in the State Water Board Policy for Implementing the State Revolving Fund for Construction of Wastewater Treatment Facilities (CWSRF Policy) and the Strategy for Implementing the SRF for Expanded Use Projects (Strategy).

STATE WATER BOARD CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSED SFY 2008/2009 IUP

Division staff will present the proposed SFY 2008/2009 IUP (Exhibit A) to the State Water Board for consideration on September 16, 2008, at its regular Board Meeting. Further information on the Board Meeting can be found at the following web site: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/calendar/index.shtml.

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The public will have until Thursday, September 11, 2008, to review the SFY 2008/2009 IUP and submit comments. The above document is available at the following web site: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/srf/index.shtml.

TO TESTIFY

You may submit written comments and give oral statements regarding the proposed SFY 2008/2009 IUP. Written comments should be submitted as early as possible to allow for thorough staff analysis. Please indicate in the subject line "SFY 2008/2009 IUP." All written comments are due by 12 noon, PST, on Thursday, September 11, 2008. Written comments should be directed to:

Ms. Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board State Water Resources Control Board 1001 "I" Street, 24th Floor Sacramento, CA 95814 FAX: (916) 341-5620 email: <u>commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov</u>.

Oral comments may be directed to the State Water Board at its September 16, 2008, Board Meeting.

PARKING AND ACCESSIBILITY

All visitors are required to sign in and receive a badge prior to attending any meeting in the California Environmental Protection Agency (Cal/EPA) building. The Visitor and Environmental Services Center is located inside and to the left of the Cal/EPA Building's public entrance. Valid picture identification may be required due to the security level. Please allow up to 15 minutes for this process. Public parking is available in the City of Sacramento Garage on I Street between 10th and 11th Streets. Metered parking spaces are available on area streets. The Cal/EPA building is accessible by bus and light rail lines operated by Sacramento Regional Transit. The Cal/EPA building Hearing Rooms are accessible to persons with disabilities.

CONTACT PERSON

Any questions regarding this issue should be directed to Mr. Dan Newton at (916) 324-8404 or by email at <u>dnewton@waterboards.ca.gov</u>. Individuals who require special accommodations are requested to contact the Office of Employee Assistance, at (916) 341-5881, prior to the meeting date. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at (800) 735-2929 or voice line at (800) 735-2922.

August 18, 2008

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