



State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP The State Water Resources Control Board will conduct a workshop concerning

UC DAVIS REPORT ON NITRATE IN GROUNDWATER

The Public Workshop will commence on Wednesday, May 23, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.

Coastal Hearing Room – Second Floor Joe Serna, Jr. - Cal/EPA Headquarters Building 1001 "I" Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will hold a public workshop on Wednesday, May 23, 2012, to consider public input on the promising options outlined in the independent UC Davis Report on Nitrate in Groundwater to be released on March 13, 2012. After its release, the report will be made available at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water issues/programs/nitrate project/index.shtml

The UC Davis Report and public input at the workshop will be used to inform the State Water Board in developing its recommendations for its Report to the Legislature, as required by SBX2 1, later in 2012.

BACKGROUND

The law (SBX2 1) amended Water Code Section 83002.5 which requires the State Water Board, in consultation with other agencies, to develop pilot projects in the Tulare Lake Basin and the Salinas Valley to study nitrate contamination, and identify remedial solutions and funding options to recover costs associated with cleanup or treatment of groundwater and to report to the Legislature within two years. It also directed the State Water Board to create an interagency task force as needed, to oversee the pilot projects and develop recommendations for the Legislature.

A quorum of State Water Board members may be present, but no action will be taken at the workshop.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE WORKSHOP

Additional information about SBX2 1 can be found at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/nitrate_project/index.shtml

Questions concerning this notice may be directed to Erik Ekdahl at <u>eekdahl@waterboards.ca.gov</u>

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March 5, 2012

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