

Notice of Stakeholder Kick-off Meeting Assessing Costs of Compliance

Wednesday, October 24, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. Klamath Room – Second Floor Joe Serna, Jr. - Cal/EPA Headquarters Building 1001 "I" Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

Call-in number to be provided

ANNOUNCEMENT:

As part of Phase 2 of a <u>Workplan</u> adopted by the State Board on October 18, 2011 to assess and align priorities, resources and performance targets, staff is inviting all interested parties to participate in a kick-off meeting to initiate an assessment of the costs of compliance for dischargers subject to Water Board regulation and oversight in the following four programs:

- 1. NPDES wastewater,
- 2. NPDES stormwater,
- 3. Irrigated lands, and
- 4. Waste discharge to land (WDR)

The goal of the assessment will be to identify potential opportunities to reduce compliance costs without hindering the Water Boards ability to protect water quality. Information and participation from the regulated community will be needed to successfully identify areas and opportunities where cost of compliance could be identified and minimized. Moving forward, the Water Boards will work with participating stakeholders to help gather and validate data on compliance costs and opportunities to reduce these costs.

The Kickoff meeting will focus on:

- The project background, goals, work plan and schedule;
- Water Board staff and stakeholder roles;
- Early comments/ideas on the types of compliance costs to be quantified and evaluated; and
- Next steps.

Stakeholders who are interested in participating in this effort are encouraged to join our email roster by completing a brief survey accessible at the following link:

http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/wb resource alignment stakeholders

Additional meeting information will be provided before the meeting to those on the email roster.

Information is also available on the State Water Board's website at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/rap/index.shtml

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