NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Total Maximum Daily Load Progress Report
Required by
THE STATEWIDE STORM WATER PERMIT FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will receive public comments on the Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Progress Report submitted by the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) pursuant to the requirement in the Statewide Storm Water Permit for the State of California Department of Transportation (the Caltrans Permit).

BACKGROUND INFORMATION
Per Caltrans Permit Attachment IV section III.A.3, Caltrans submitted to the State Water Board a TMDL Progress Report on January 1, 2018. The TMDL Progress Report contains the following information:

i. A summary of the effectiveness of the control measures installed for each reach that has been addressed, as a result of the Best Management Practices (BMPs) effectiveness assessment.
ii. A determination as to whether the control measures have been or will be sufficient to achieve Waste Load Allocations (WLAs) and other performance standards by the final compliance deadlines.
iii. Where the control measures are determined not to be sufficient to achieve WLAs or other performance standards by the final TMDL compliance deadlines, a proposal for improved control measures to address the relevant pollutants.
iv. A summary of the estimated quantified amount of pollutants prevented from entering into the receiving waters as a result of BMPs, cooperative agreements, or other source control measures taken, and
v. An analysis demonstrating that the level of effort (1650 compliance units/year) during the present permit cycle will be sufficient to achieve WLAs and other performance standards for all TMDLs listed in Table IV.2 (Attachment IV of the Caltrans Permit) by 2034.

The Caltrans Permit requires the TMDL Progress Report to be subject to public review and comment and presented to the State Water Board as an informational item. The State Water Board will hear Caltrans and staff presentations on this matter on November 6, 2018.
DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY
The TMDL Progress Report is posted on the State Water Board’s website at:

Interested persons may request a paper copy of the TMDL Progress Report by contacting Jenny Chen at (916) 341-5570 or jenny.chen@waterboards.ca.gov

SUBMISSION OF COMMENTS
Interested persons are encouraged to submit written comments electronically. Written comments must be received no later than 12:00 p.m. (noon) on Thursday, October 25, 2018 and addressed to:

Jeanine Townsend, Clerk of the Board
State Water Resources Control Board
1001 I Street, 24th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

Comment letters may be submitted electronically, in PDF text format (if less than 15 megabytes in total size), to the Clerk via email at commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov. If the file is greater than 15 megabytes in total size, the comment letter may be submitted by fax at (916) 341-5620. Please indicate the subject line: “Comment Letter – Caltrans TMDL Progress Report.”

Persons hand delivering hard copies of comment letters must check in with lobby security personnel, who will contact Ms. Townsend at (916) 341-5600.

FUTURE NOTICES
Any person desiring to receive future public notices regarding the TMDL Progress Report, including any changes to this public notice, must sign up for the Lyris email list. To sign up for the Lyris list, access the E-mail List Subscription form, check the box for “Storm Water Municipal Permitting Issues” under the heading of Water Quality, then fill in the required information. The subscription form is at:
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/swrcb_subscribe.shtml.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Ms. Jenny Chen at (916) 341-5570 or jenny.chen@waterboards.ca.gov.

September 24, 2018
Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board