NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Storm Water Program,

Meeting of Storm Water Panel of Experts

Notice is hereby given that on September 14 and 15, 2005 the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will convene a meeting of individuals with nationally recognized expertise in the NPDES storm water program. The experts are not employees of the State Water Board, but are a panel of outside experts, with academic and regulatory expertise. The subject of the meeting is whether it is technically feasible to develop numeric limits or other quantifiable measures for inclusion in storm water permits. The planned outcomes of this meeting are: (1) for the panel to hear comments from the regulated community, the environmental community and the public; (2) to conduct discussions among the members; and (3) to advise the State Water Board on their conclusions. The specific questions the State Water Board has asked the panel to answer are:

Is it technically feasible to establish numeric effluent limitations, or some other objective criteria, for inclusion in storm water permits? How would such limitations or criteria be established, and what information and data would be required? The answer should address industrial general permits, construction general permits, and area-wide municipal permits. The answer should also address both technology-based limitations or criteria and water quality-based limitations or criteria. In evaluating establishment of any objective criteria, the panel should address all of the following: (1) the ability of the Water Board to establish appropriate objective limitations or criteria; (2) how compliance determinations would be made; (3) the ability of dischargers and inspectors to monitor for compliance; and (4) the technical and financial ability of dischargers to comply with the limitations or criteria.

The panel’s response should address each of the types of permits (industrial, construction, and municipal).
The panel will receive public comments ONLY ON SEPTEMBER 14. The session on September 15 will be limited to discussion amongst the panel members. An agenda for this meeting will be posted at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/stormwtr/index.html by August 23, 2005.

The meeting is scheduled as follows:

Date: September 14, 2005
Time: 9:30 am to 4:00 pm
Place: Secretary of State’s Office
1500 11th Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Directions and Parking
Directions and parking information are attached.

Accessibility
The meeting facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to call Mike Rowe of the Secretary of State at (916) 653-6605.

Please RSVP
If you are planning to attend, please RSVP at stormwater@waterboards.ca.gov.

For additional information, please contact Bruce Fujimoto, Division of Water Quality, State Water Resources Control Board, at (916) 341-5523 or at bfujimoto@waterboards.ca.gov.
**Secretary of State Building**

1500 11th Street
Sacramento, CA 95814.

The entrance to the Secretary of State’s Building is located at the corner of 11th and "O" Streets in downtown Sacramento. Several parking garages are located nearby on both 10th and 11th Streets between "O" and "P"; metered parking is also available.

*From the west:* Business-80 (Capital City Freeway) to I-5 north. Take "Q" Street exit to 10th Street then left.

*From the east:* Business-80 (Capital City Freeway) to the 10th Street exit and right on 10th Street.

*From the south:* I-5 north to "Q" Street exit. Proceed east on "Q", then left on 10th Street. Or from Highway 99 take the Business-80 west to San Francisco exit. Proceed to the 10th Street exit and right on 10th Street.

*From the north:* I-5 south to "Q" Street exit. Proceed east on "Q", then left on 10th Street.

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