

State Water Resources Control Board

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NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

PROPOSED APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE NORTH COAST REGION (BASIN PLAN) TO ESTABLISH: (1) SITE SPECIFIC WATER QUALITY OBJECTIVES FOR DISSOLVED OXYGEN IN THE KLAMATH RIVER; (2) AN ACTION PLAN FOR THE KLAMATH RIVER TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS ADDRESSING TEMPERATURE, DISSOLVED OXYGEN, NUTRIENT, AND MICROCYSTIN IMPAIRMENTS IN THE KLAMATH RIVER; AND (3) AN IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR THE KLAMATH AND LOST RIVER BASINS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will accept comments on the proposed approval of an amendment to the Basin Plan that would establish: (1) site specific water quality objectives for dissolved oxygen in the Klamath River; (2) an action plan for the Klamath River Total Maximum Daily Loads addressing temperature, dissolved oxygen, nutrient, and microcystin impairments in the Klamath River; and (3) an implementation plan for the Klamath and Lost River Basins. The amendment, the State Water Board agenda language, and draft resolution are available on the State Water Board's Web site at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/tmdl/index.shtml#rb1 or can be received by mail by contacting Michael Buckman at (916) 341-5479. The amendment was adopted by the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board on March 24, 2010. The State Water Board will separately publish a notice of the meeting at which it will consider the proposed approval of the amendment.

Comment letters to the State Water Board <u>must be received by 12:00 noon on</u> July 21, 2010. After the deadline, State Water Board staff will not accept additional written comments unless the State Water Board determines that such comments should be accepted. Please send comments on the proposed State Water Board approval of the amendment to: Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board, by email at (commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov) (If less than 15 megabytes in size or less), (916) 341-5620 (fax), or by mail addressed to State Water Resources Control Board, 1001 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. Please also indicate in the subject line, "Comment Letter – Klamath River - TMDLs."

Incorporation of Comments by Reference: Comments must specifically address the version of the amendment that is currently being considered for approval by the State Water Board. If similar or identical comments were submitted to the North Coast Water Board, the commenter must explain why and in what manner each of the responses provided by the North Coast Water Board to each comment was inadequate or incorrect. If the comment does not include such an explanation, the State Water

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Board will presume that the North Coast Water Board's response adequately addressed the commenter's concern.

Please direct questions about this notice to Michael Buckman, Division of Water Quality, at (916) 341-5479 or (<u>mbuckman@waterboards.ca.gov</u>) or Steven H. Blum, Senior Staff Counsel at (916) 341-5177 or (<u>sblum@waterboards.ca.gov</u>).

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