NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT AND
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CONCERNING

Proposed Order to Rescind Order WQ 2009-0006-DWQ
General Waste Discharge Requirements for Landscape Irrigation Uses
of Municipal Recycled Water

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the State Water Resources Control Board (State
Water Board) will receive public comments regarding the proposed rescission of Order
WQ 2009-0006-DWQ, General Waste Discharge Requirements for Landscape Irrigation
Uses of Municipal Recycled Water.

NOTICE IS ADDITIONALLY HEREBY GIVEN that the State Water Board will hold a
public hearing to receive public input and comments on the proposed rescission of
Order WQ 2009-0006-DWQ, General Waste Discharge Requirements for Landscape
Irrigation Uses of Municipal Recycled Water. The location and time of the public
hearing is provided below:

Tuesday, January 19, 2021 – 9:00 a.m.
Video and Teleconference Meeting Only
No Physical Meeting Location
(Authorized by and in furtherance of Executive Orders N-29-20 and N-33-20.)
Video Broadcast: https://video.calepa.ca.gov/

BACKGROUND
Water Code section 13552.5(a)(1) required the State Water Board to adopt a general
permit for landscape irrigation uses of recycled water on or before July 31, 2009. On
July 7, 2009, the State Water Board adopted Order WQ 2009-0006-DWQ, General
Waste Discharge Requirements for Landscape Irrigation Uses of Municipal Recycled
Water (Order WQ 2009-0006-DWQ), in compliance with Water Code section
13552.5(a)(1).

On June 7, 2016, the State Water Board adopted Order WQ 2016-0068-DDW, Water
Reclamation Requirements for Recycled Water Use (Order WQ 2016-0068-DDW).
Order WQ 2016-0068-DDW meets the statutory requirements of Water Code section
13552.5(a)(1), covers the same subject and requirements as the Order
WQ 2016-0068-DDW, and allows additional treatment levels and corresponding uses of
recycled water specified in the Uniform Statewide Recycling Criteria.
PROPOSED RESCISSION ORDER

Order WQ 2016-0068-DDW meets the statutory requirements of Water Code section 13552.5 and recycled water distributors and users have or will transition enrollment from Order WQ 2009-0006-DWQ to Order WQ 2016-0068-DDW. Therefore, Order WQ 2009-0006-DWQ is now redundant. The adoption of the proposed order will rescind Order WQ 2009-0006-DWQ.

AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS

The proposed rescission order is available on the State Water Board’s website at: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/water_recycling_policy/index.html

The hearing agenda will be available at https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/calendar/ at least 10 days before the hearing.

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS

The State Water Board will accept both written and oral comments on the proposed rescission order. Written comments must be received by 12:00 noon on January 12, 2021. Comments may be submitted electronically (e-mail), by facsimile, U.S. Mail, or courier as described below. Oral comments will be accepted at the January 19, 2021 hearing.

For e-mailed comments, address the message to commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov; label the subject line: “Comment Letter – Rescinding Water Quality Order No. 2009-0006-DWQ General Waste Discharge Requirements for Landscape Irrigation Uses of Municipal Recycled Water.” Electronic submittals shall be in pdf text format (less than 15 megabytes in total size). If the file is greater than 15 megabytes in total size submit the comments by fax at (916) 341-5620; address the fax to “Clerk to the Board.”

Note: Due to COVID-19, all persons hand delivering submittals must first schedule an appointment with staff by contacting RecycledWater@waterboards.ca.gov. All hand delivered submittals must be date and time stamped and arrive prior to 12:00 noon on January 12, 2021. U.S. Mail must be received (not postmarked) at the State Water Board offices by the close of the comment period; the mail address is presented below.

Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board
State Water Resources Control Board
P.O. Box 100, Sacramento, CA 95812-2000 (mail)
1001 I Street, 24th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814 (hand delivery)
PROCEDURAL MATTERS

At the January 19, 2021 public hearing, there will be no sworn testimony or cross-examination of participants. However, the State Water Board and its staff may ask clarifying questions. At the hearing, participants will be given an opportunity to summarize and supplement their written materials with oral presentations. To ensure a productive and efficient hearing in which all participants have an opportunity to participate, oral presentations may be time limited. For other presentation recommendations, go to:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/meetings/board_presentations.html

FUTURE NOTICES

The State Water Board public hearing will be at the time and place noted above. Any change in the date, time or place of the public hearing will be noticed on the Lyris email list as well as posted to the State Water Board Meeting webpage. Any person desiring to receive future notices regarding this issue must sign up for the Lyris email list. To sign up, access the email List Subscription Form at the web address listed below, at the Water Quality Tab, by checking the box for “Recycled Water Policy/General Permit for Landscape Irrigation”:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/swrcb_subscribe.html

CONTACT INFORMATION

Please direct all questions regarding the proposed rescission order to Tricia Lee at Tricia.Lee@waterboards.ca.gov.

December 8, 2020

Date

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