

State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

PROPOSED APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE LAHONTAN REGION TO REMOVE A DISCHARGE PROHIBITION ON NEW PIER CONSTRUCTION IN SENSITIVE AREAS AT LAKE TAHOE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will accept comments on the proposed approval of the Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board's (Lahontan Water Board) amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Lahontan Region (Basin Plan) that would remove a discharge prohibition on new pier construction in fish spawning habitat and in areas immediately offshore of stream inlets at Lake Tahoe (Basin Plan amendment). The Basin Plan amendment would allow piers in previously prohibited areas to be constructed provided all applicable regulatory requirements are met. The Basin Plan amendment was adopted by the Lahontan Water Board on March 13, 2019 (R6T-2019-0010) and is available for review at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/lahontan/water_issues/programs/basin_plan/lake_tahoe_pier.html

A copy of the Basin Plan amendment can also be received by mail by contacting Robert Larsen at (530) 542-5439.

REQUEST NOTICE OF STATE WATER BOARD MEETINGS. The State Water Board will separately publish an agenda for the meeting at which it will consider adopting a resolution approving the Basin Plan amendment. Oral comments at the State Water Board meeting generally will be limited to a summary of the written comments submitted during the written comment period. Persons interested in receiving notice of the meeting at which the State Water Board will consider approving the Basin Plan amendment **must subscribe** to the State Water Board's email list:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/swrcb_subscribe.html The State Water Board encourages use of its electronic mailing list. Persons who require notice by regular mail must submit such request to the Lahontan Water Board contact identified below.

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS. Persons interested in the Basin Plan amendment are encouraged to submit comments electronically. Comment letters must be received by **12:00 noon on May 24, 2019**. Comment letters received after that deadline will not be accepted unless the State Water Board determines otherwise.

Send comments to Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the State Water Board, by email at commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov (must be no more than 15 megabytes); fax at (916) 341-5620; or mail or hand delivery at:

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)


Please also indicate in the subject line, "**Comment Letter—Lake Tahoe Pier Basin Plan Amendment**".

REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMITTING COMMENTS (Pursuant to 23 Cal. Code Regs., § 3779, subd. (f), comments submitted to the State Water Board must satisfy all of the following requirements:

1. Comments must specifically address the final version of the Basin Plan amendment adopted by the Lahontan Water Board.
2. If the Lahontan Water Board previously responded to a similar or identical comment, the commenter must explain why and in what manner the commenter believes each of the responses provided by the Lahontan Water Board to each comment was inadequate or incorrect.
3. The commenter also must include either a statement that each of the comments was timely raised before the Lahontan Water Board, or an explanation of why the commenter was unable to raise the specific comment before the Lahontan Water Board.

Please direct any questions about this notice to Robert Larsen, Senior Environmental Scientist at the Lahontan Water Board at (530) 542-5439 or Robert.Larsen@waterboards.ca.gov; or Elizabeth Beryt, Staff Counsel at (916) 327-7507 or Elizabeth.Beryt@waterboards.ca.gov.

April 23, 2019
Date



Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board