

Notice of Public Workshop and CEQA Scoping Meeting

Development of a Drinking Water Policy
for the Central Valley

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (Central Valley Regional Water Board) staff will hold a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) scoping meeting and public workshop to seek input on the environmental information that should be considered in the development and adoption of amendments to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River Basins (Basin Plan) to improve policies for protecting sources of drinking water in the Central Valley.

BACKGROUND

The Central Valley Water Board is soliciting input from interested persons on alternatives to improve existing policies for protecting municipal and domestic beneficial uses as an amendment to the Basin Plan. Currently, the Basin Plan lacks numeric water quality objectives for several known drinking water constituents of concern, such as organic carbon, a disinfection by-product precursor, and pathogens (i.e., *Cryptosporidium* and *Giardia*). As a result, implementing existing numeric objectives may or may not adequately protect source waters designated for municipal and domestic supply (MUN).

Additional information regarding the proposed amendment is available for download in PDF format from the Regional Water Board's Internet website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water_issues/drinking_water_policy/. Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Regional Water Board's office at 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

CEQA SCOPING MEETING AND PUBLIC WORKSHOP CONDUCT AND SCHEDULE

This meeting and workshop will provide participants with: (1) an opportunity to comment on the appropriate scope and content of the proposed amendments and environmental documents to be prepared pursuant to CEQA (Public Resources Code section 21000 et seq.) and the Regional Water Board's certified regulatory program for basin planning (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 15251, subdivision (g); and Title 23, section 3775 et seq.); and (2) an overview of the conditions in the project area.

Following the workshop, staff will review written comments received, prepare a summary of scoping comments and a draft staff report for public comment. **Written comments should be submitted to Holly Grover no later than 19 September 2008.** Staff will review and consider oral comments provided at the workshop prior to proposing a recommended amendment to the Regional Water Board in 2010. All written comments will be included in the final administrative record.

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CEQA Scoping Meeting Times and Locations:

Date:	August 25, 2008	August 26, 2008	August 27, 2008
Time:	1:00 to 3:00	1:00 to 3:00	1:00 to 3:00
	Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board	Department of General Services	Chico Municipal Center
Address:	11020 Sun Center Drive, #200 Rancho Cordova, CA 95670	31 East Channel Street Stockton, CA 95202	421 Main Street Chico, CA 95927

The facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Holly Grover at (916) 464-4747 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Contact Information

Questions regarding this issue should be directed to Karen Larsen at (916) 464-4646 or klarsen@waterboards.ca.gov or to Holly Grover at (916) 464-4747 or hgrover@waterboards.ca.gov. This is the only notification you will receive regarding this basin plan amendment, unless you subscribe to the "Central Valley Drinking Water Policy" mailing list through our webpage at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/reg5_subscribe.shtml or complete the attached form and return it to:

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Kenneth D. Landau, Assistant Executive Officer

27 June 2008

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Affiliation _____

Address _____

Phone Number(s) _____

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