
State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

PROPOSED APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE LOS ANGELES REGION TO UPDATE THE BACTERIA OBJECTIVES FOR FRESH, ESTUARINE, AND MARINE WATERS DESIGNATED FOR WATER CONTACT RECREATION – BASED ON THE STATEWIDE BACTERIA PROVISIONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will accept comments on the proposed approval of the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board’s (Los Angeles Water Board) amendments to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Los Angeles Basin (Basin Plan) that would update the bacteria objectives for fresh, estuarine and marine waters designated for water contact recreation, based on the Statewide Bacteria Provisions. The Basin Plan amendment was adopted by the Los Angeles Water Board on February 13, 2020 (Resolution No. R20-001), and is available for review at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/water_issues/programs/basin_plan/

A copy of the Basin Plan amendments can also be received by mail by contacting Ms. Theresa Rodgers at (213) 576-6789 or Theresa.Rodgers@waterboards.ca.gov.

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 amendments. 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 this Basin Plan amendment **must subscribe** to the State Water Board’s [email subscription service](#) located at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/swrcb_subscribe.shtml.

On this webpage under the “General Interests” category check the box for the “Board Meetings”, provide your email address and name, then click on the “subscribe” button. The State Water Board encourages use of its electronic mailing list. Persons who require notice by postal mail must submit such request to the Los Angeles Water Board contact identified below.

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS. Persons interested in these Basin Plan amendments are encouraged to submit comments electronically. Comment letters **must be received by 12:00 noon on May 4, 2020**. 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 to commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov (**must be no more than 15 megabytes**); fax at (916) 341-5620; or postal mail or hand delivery to:

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— Update to the Los Angeles Region’s Bacteria Objectives for Fresh, Estuarine, and Marine Waters Designated for Water Contact Recreation.”**


If you would like a copy of any or all of the written comments submitted on this subject, please send a request to commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov, identifying the subject listed above. Written comments will not be available until after the comment deadline.

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 amendments adopted by the Los Angeles Water Board.
2. If the Los Angeles 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 Los Angeles 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 Los Angeles Water Board, or an explanation of why the commenter was unable to raise the specific comment before the Los Angeles Water Board.

Please direct any questions about this notice to Dr. Ginachi Amah at the Los Angeles Water Board, at (213) 576-6685 or Ginachi.Amah@waterboards.ca.gov; or Ms. Sophie Froelich, Office of Chief Counsel, at (916) 319-8557 or Sophie.Froelich@waterboards.ca.gov.

April 1, 2020
Date



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Clerk to the Board