

State Water Resources Control Board

Public Notice U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Proposal to Reissue Nationwide Permits

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Division of Water Quality
Water Quality Certification and Wetlands Program

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Affected Counties: Statewide

Nationwide Permits authorize certain activities under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) plans to reissue 52 existing NWP, associated general conditions and definitions, with some modifications. In addition, the Corps plans to issue five new NWPs and remove two definitions. The Corps' Headquarters 2020 Proposal to Reissue and Modify the Nationwide Permits can be accessed at the [Federal Register website](#)

(<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2020/09/15/2020-17116/proposal-to-reissue-and-modify-nationwide-permits>). Links to the draft Regional Conditions for each of the three Corps Districts within California (Sacramento, San Francisco, and Los Angeles) are available under "Supporting/Related Materials" and can also be accessed at the respective Corps Districts' websites:

- [Sacramento District](#) (<https://www.spk.usace.army.mil/Media/Regulatory-Public-Notices/Article/2355185/2020-nationwide-permits-and-regional-conditions-request-for-comments/>),
- [San Francisco District](#) (https://www.spn.usace.army.mil/Portals/68/docs/regulatory/publicnotices/2020/SPN-2020-17116_PN_2020.09.18.pdf?ver=vc9GUSxkfG91AvSIArM0uA%3d%3d), and
- [Los Angeles District](#) (https://www.spl.usace.army.mil/Portals/17/docs/publicnotices/2020-NWPRegulatory_SPN.pdf?ver=EY5ckc9t9n6ZLH8CB5YtFQ%3d%3d).

The State Water Board is preparing to certify or deny each of the NWP's pursuant to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (33 USC 1341) and the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act.

Staff will consider all comments submitted in writing and received during a 45-day comment period that begins on the first date of issuance of this notice (October 16, 2020) and ends at 12:00 p.m. (noon) on the last day of the comment period (November 30, 2020).

Electronic submittals are strongly encouraged. Comment letters may be submitted electronically in pdf text format to Jean Bandura via e-mail at: Jean.Bandura@waterboards.ca.gov. **Please indicate in the subject line: "Comment Letter – Water Quality Certification for the Corps' NWP's."**

If unable to submit comments electronically, please address comments to:

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