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## State Water Resources Control Board

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

#### STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM PERMIT SECOND REVISED DRAFT TENTATIVE ORDER

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will hold a public hearing on the second revised draft Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit (Second Revised Draft Tentative Order) for the California Department of Transportation (Department). State Water Board members will be present at the hearing; however, no Board action will be taken. The time and location of the public hearing are:

**Tuesday, August 7, 2012 – 9:00 a.m.**  
**Joe Serna Jr.-Cal/EPA Headquarters Building**  
**Coastal Hearing Room**  
**1001 I Street, Second Floor**  
**Sacramento, CA 95814**

#### **BACKGROUND**

Discharges of storm water and non-storm water occur throughout the state from the Department's MS4. Before July 1999, these discharges were regulated by individual NPDES permits issued by the California Regional Water Quality Control Boards. On July 15, 1999, the State Water Board issued a statewide permit ([Order No. 99-06-DWQ](#)) which regulated all storm water and certain non-storm water discharges from the Department's MS4. This included all State highways, rights-of-way, facilities, and construction activities. If adopted by the State Water Board, the Second Revised Draft Tentative Order will supersede Order No. 99-06-DWQ upon its effective date.

A public notice was circulated on January 7, 2011, advising that the Draft Tentative Order was available for public review and comment. Written comments on the Draft Tentative Order were due by 12 Noon on March 14, 2011. A public hearing on the Draft Tentative Order was held on July 19, 2011.

A second notice and Revised Draft Tentative Order were circulated on August 18, 2011, and a public workshop was held on September 21, 2011 to consider the revisions made to the January 7, 2011 Draft Tentative Order.

A third notice and Second Revised Draft Tentative Order were circulated on April 27, 2012. Responses to public comments on the first two drafts were made available on May 3, 2012. A staff workshop was held on May 21, 2012. The public comment period closed on June 26, 2012.

### **NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The public hearing will provide an opportunity for interested parties to orally summarize their written comments and make policy statements before the State Water Board on the Second Revised Draft Tentative Order. No new evidence may be submitted at the hearing. Written comments and all evidence were required to be submitted to the Board by June 26, 2012, in accordance with the Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment and Notice of Public Workshop dated April 27, 2012.

State Water Board Members will be present at the hearing; however, no Board action will be taken. State Water Board staff will provide a brief overview of the Second Revised Draft Tentative Order and will answer any questions by the State Water Board.

### **DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY**

The Second Revised Draft Tentative Order, supporting documents, written comments received, and responses to comments (first two drafts only) are posted on the State Water Board's Web site at:

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\\_issues/programs/stormwater/caltrans\\_permits.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/stormwater/caltrans_permits.shtml).

A hardcopy of the relevant documents may also be received by contacting Mr. Jaime Favila at (916) 341-5482 or [jfavila@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:jfavila@waterboards.ca.gov).

### **FUTURE STATE WATER BOARD ADOPTION MEETING**

The State Water Board expects to consider adoption of the Second Revised Draft Tentative Order in September 2012. At the adoption meeting, participants may summarize their written submissions and make policy statements, but no new evidence will be admitted. A notice providing the specific date for the adoption meeting will be posted on the State Water Board's Web site and will be distributed through the Lyris e-mail list serve. Any person desiring to receive future notices concerning the Second Revised Draft Tentative Order, including notice of the adoption meeting, must sign up for the Lyris e-mail list. To sign up for the Lyris list, access the E-mail List Subscription form, check the box for Storm Water Municipal Permitting Issues, and fill in the required information. The subscription form is at:

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email\\_subscriptions/swrcb\\_subscribe.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/swrcb_subscribe.shtml).

### **PARKING AND ACCESSIBILITY**

For directions to the Joe Serna Jr.-Cal/EPA Building and public parking information, please refer to the map on the State Water Board's Web site at:

<http://www.calepa.ca.gov/EPABldg/location.htm>.

The Joe Serna Jr.-Cal/EPA Building is accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to call (916) 341-5880 at least five working days prior to the meeting. TDD users may contact the California Relay Service at (800) 735-2929 or voice line at (800) 735-2922.

A broadcast of the hearing will be available via the internet and can be accessed at:


<http://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast/>.

All visitors to the Joe Serna Jr.-Cal/EPA Building are required to sign in and obtain a badge at the Visitor Services Center located inside the main entrance. Valid picture identification may be required. Please allow up to 15 minutes for receiving security clearance.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Questions may be directed to Mr. Walt Shannon, Chief of the Municipal Storm Water Unit at (916) 341-5497 or e-mail to [wshannon@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:wshannon@waterboards.ca.gov), or Ms. Emel Wadhvani, Staff Counsel, at (916) 322-3622 or e-mail to [ewadhvani@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:ewadhvani@waterboards.ca.gov).

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