



# California Regional Water Quality Control Board

## Los Angeles Region



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Notice to Interested Parties

### NEW REGULATIONS - ELECTRONIC SUBMITTAL OF INFORMATION

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) recently adopted regulations requiring the electronic submittal of information (ESI), over the internet, for cleanup programs overseen by the California Regional Water Quality Control Boards (Regional Water Boards), starting January 1, 2005.

Parties responsible for cleanup of pollution at sites overseen by the Regional Water Board's Department of Defense (DoD), Spills, Leaks, Investigations, and Cleanups Program (SLIC), and Land Disposal Programs are required to submit over the internet, the following information electronically:

- groundwater analytical data,
- surveyed locations of monitoring wells,
- boring logs describing monitoring well construction, and,
- portable data format (PDF) copies of all reports.

The text of the regulations is attached, and can be found at the following URL:

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/ust/cleanup/electronic\\_reporting/docs/final\\_electronic\\_regs\\_dec04.pdf](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/ust/cleanup/electronic_reporting/docs/final_electronic_regs_dec04.pdf)

The State Water Board GeoTracker data management system is capable of accepting this electronic information. GeoTracker is a geographic information system providing online access to environmental and regulatory data. Currently, Geotracker has information submitted by responsible parties for over 10,000 Leaking Underground Storage Tank sites statewide. This information is available to the public at:

<http://www.geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov>

Beginning July 1, 2005, a paper copy of reports will no longer be required for the DoD, SLIC, or Land Disposal Programs upon submittal of the electronic copy unless the Regional Water Board specifically requires the paper copy to be submitted. The electronic reports are intended to replace the need for a paper report, and will be used for all public information requests, regulatory review, and compliance/enforcement activities.

**The Regional Water Board does not have the resources to acquire hardware to allow caseworkers to appropriately review documents in electronic form. Therefore, for the foreseeable future, we request that you continue to submit hard copies of all documents and data submittals.**

You will need a GeoTracker password for submitting data and reports. To obtain instructions for receiving a GeoTracker password please go to our ESI website:

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*Our mission is to preserve and enhance the quality of California's water resources for the benefit of present and future generations.*

[http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/ust/cleanup/electronic\\_reporting/index.html](http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/ust/cleanup/electronic_reporting/index.html)

Our ESI website has an on-line tutorial to aid your transition to electronic data and reporting submittal. You can access information on how to upload electronic data at the following ESI website:

[http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/ust/cleanup/electronic\\_reporting/docs/ab2886\\_primer.pdf](http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/ust/cleanup/electronic_reporting/docs/ab2886_primer.pdf)

If you have any questions or need additional information on reporting electronic data, please contact Hamid Foolad at: [hfoolad@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:hfoolad@waterboards.ca.gov).

### **Training and Outreach**

User outreach meetings will be arranged in both Northern and Southern California based upon demand. The GeoTracker system will be announcing future sessions to all regulators, consultants and responsible parties who hold a GeoTracker password.

