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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 (BASIN PLAN) TO REVISE TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS FOR BACTERIA FOR (1) SANTA MONICA BAY BEACHES; (2) MARINA DEL REY HARBOR, MOTHERS' BEACH, AND BACK BASINS; (3) LOS ANGELES HARBOR, INNER CABRILLO BEACH, AND MAIN SHIP CHANNEL; (4) BALLONA CREEK, BALLONA ESTUARY, AND SEPULVEDA CHANNEL; AND (5) MALIBU CREEK AND LAGOON; AND TO AMEND CHAPTER 3 TO MODIFY THE IMPLEMENTATION PROVISIONS FOR WATER CONTACT RECREATION BACTERIA OBJECTIVES**

**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 Basin Plan to revise Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for bacteria for:

- (1) Santa Monica Bay Beaches;
- (2) Marina del Rey Harbor, Mothers' Beach, and Back Basins;
- (3) Los Angeles Harbor, Inner Cabrillo Beach, and Main Ship Channel;
- (4) Ballona Creek, Ballona Estuary, and Sepulveda Channel;
- (5) Malibu Creek and Lagoon;

and to amend Chapter 3 to modify the Implementation Provisions for Water Contact Recreation Bacteria Objectives

The Basin Plan amendments were adopted by the Los Angeles Water Board on June 7, 2012, and are available for review at:

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/water\\_issues/programs/tmdl/tmdl\\_list.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/water_issues/programs/tmdl/tmdl_list.shtml)

A copy of the Basin Plan amendments can also be received by mail by contacting Man Voong at (213) 576-6690 or [mvoong@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:mvoong@waterboards.ca.gov) or Kangshi Wang at (213) 576-6780 or [kwang@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:kwang@waterboards.ca.gov).

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 State Water Board's agendas and meetings must subscribe to the State Water Board's electronic mailing list (under the general topic "Board Meetings") at:

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

**SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS.** Persons interested in the Basin Plan amendment are encouraged to submit comments electronically. Comment letters **must be received by 12:00 noon on February 15, 2013**. 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 at [commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov) (must be no more than 15 megabytes); fax at (916) 341-5620; or mail or hand delivery at:

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State Water Resources Control Board  
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Please also indicate in the subject line, **“Comment Letter – (1) Santa Monica Bay Beaches; (2) Marina del Rey Harbor Mothers’ Beach and Back Basins; (3) Los Angeles Harbor, Inner Cabrillo Beach, and Main Ship Channel; (4) Ballona Creek, Ballona Estuary, and Sepulveda Channel; (5) Malibu Creek and Lagoon; and to amend Chapter 3 to modify the Implementation Provisions for Water Contact Recreation Bacteria Objectives.”** In addition, interested parties should indicate the specific TMDL(s) on which they are commenting unless the comment letter addresses all of the TMDLs being considered.

**Requirements for Submitting Comments (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, § 3779, subd. (f)).** The State Water Board may refuse to accept any comments that do not satisfy all of the following requirements:

- a. Comments must specifically address the final version of the Basin Plan amendments adopted by the Los Angeles Water Board.
- b. 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. If the comment does not include such an explanation, the State Water Board will presume that the Los Angeles Water Board’s response adequately addressed the commenter’s concern.

Please direct any questions about this notice to Los Angeles Regional Water Board staff contacts Man Voong at (213) 576-6690 or [mvoong@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:mvoong@waterboards.ca.gov) or Kangshi Wang (213) 576-6780, or staff counsel, Jennifer Fordyce at (916) 324-6682 or [jfordyce@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:jfordyce@waterboards.ca.gov).

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Date January 16, 2013

  
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Jeanine Townsend  
Clerk to the Board