

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING PENDING GENERAL ORDERS
DISCLOSURE FORM**

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1. Pending General Order that the communication concerned:

2. Name, title and contact information of person completing this form:
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3. Date of meeting, phone call or other communication:
Time:
Location:

4. Type of communication (written, oral or both):

5. Names of all participants in the communication, including all board members who participated:

6. Name of person(s) who initiated the communication:

7. Describe the communication and the content of the communication. Include a brief list or summary of topics discussed at the meeting, any legal or policy positions advocated at the meeting, any factual matters discussed, and any other disclosure you believe relevant. The Office of Chief Counsel recommends that any persons requesting an ex parte meeting prepare an agenda to make it easier to document the discussion properly. Attach additional pages, if necessary.

8. Attach a copy of handouts, PowerPoint presentations and other materials any person used or distributed at the meeting. If you have electronic copies, please email them to facilitate web posting.

Nutrient Management in Region 3

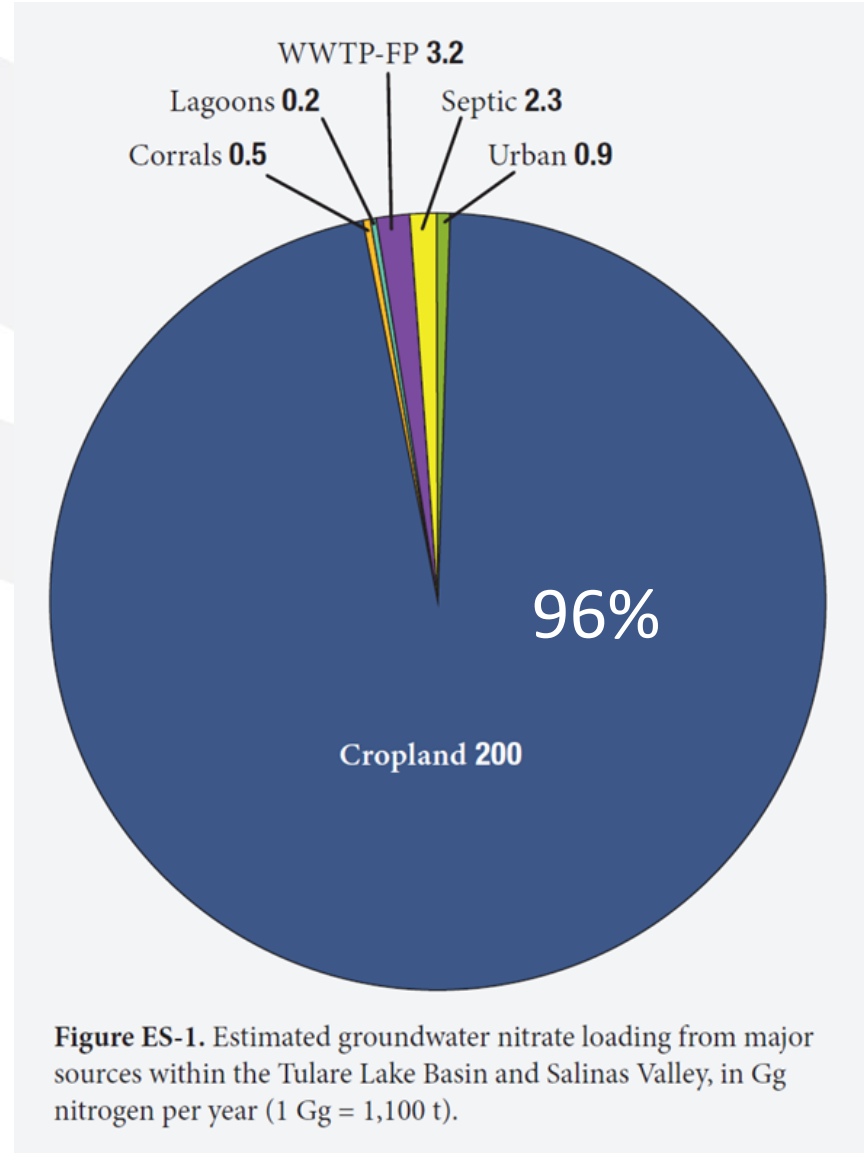
Irrigated Agriculture and
Domestic Wastewater

May 26, 2023, Chair's Meeting



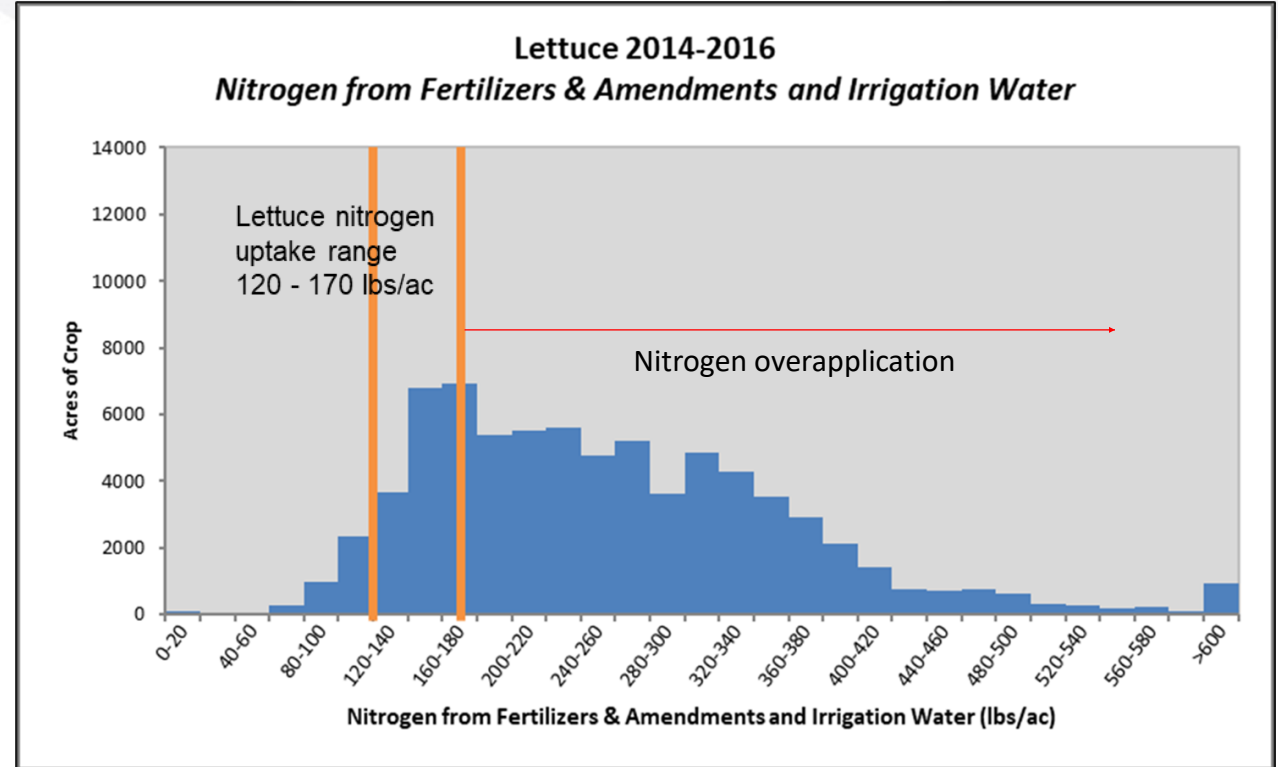
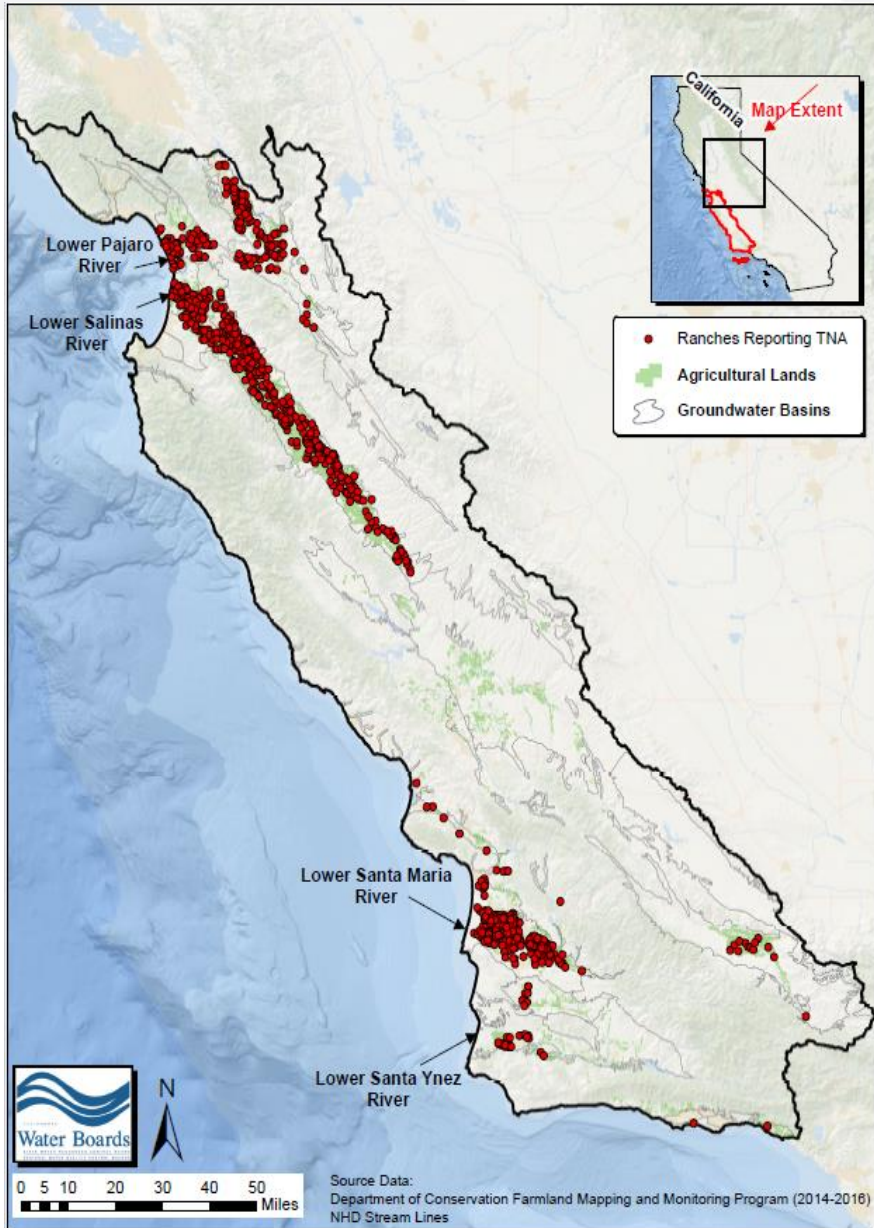
Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

Sources of Nitrate



Ranches Reporting Total Nitrogen Applied (TNA)

- Annually since 2014
- For high-risk crops
- 1,700 ranches representing 180,000 acres





FREE DRINKING WATER WELL TESTING

for Central Coast Residents

What the program offers:

- Free well sampling is being offered to residents who get their drinking water from a domestic well.
- Test results and information on how to interpret the results.
- Tips on what to do if your well is contaminated and how to protect your well from contamination.
- Resources on free replacement drinking water programs.

The testing is focused on two common contaminants, arsenic and nitrate.

About Nitrate:

- Has no color or odor
- Boiling the water does not make it safe to drink
- Can cause serious health effects, especially in pregnant women and children
- Can cause certain types of cancer and birth defects
- Common groundwater contaminant



For more information or to schedule your free testing: Scan the QR Code, using your smartphone

Visit: <https://sites.google.com/view/ccgroundwater>

Call: 844.613.5152

Agricultural Order 4.0

- Irrigation and Nutrient Management Plan
- Nitrogen discharge targets/limits
 - Nitrogen applied minus nitrogen removed (A-R)
 - 30-year phasing of limits
- Nitrogen application limits
 - UCCE/CDFA nitrogen application guidelines and 90th and 85th percentiles of nitrogen applied data



Agricultural Order 4.0 (cont.)

- Healthy soils management practice incentives
- Alternative Compliance Pathway for Groundwater Protection
- On-farm domestic well testing and reporting for nitrate and 1,2,3-TCP
- Surface water protection (TMDLs and Basin Plan objectives)



Wastewater Strategies

- WWTP upgrades
- Consolidation
- Flood inundation/retreat
- Water supply resiliency
- Septic to sewer (SB 1215)
- OWTS Local Agency Mgt. Programs (LAMPs)



