

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN DIEGO REGION**

NOTICE OF EXTENSION OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board) is extending the public comment period for Tentative Order No. R9-2024-0029, *General Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges from Commercial Agricultural Operations in the San Diego Region* (Tentative Order) to **5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 28, 2024**. The San Diego Water Board released the Tentative Order for public comment on March 29, 2024, and held a public workshop for the Tentative Order during the San Diego Water Board meeting on April 10, 2024.

The Tentative Order updates and consolidates existing waste discharge requirements adopted by the San Diego Water Board in Order No. R9-2016-0004, *General Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges from Commercial Agricultural Operations for Dischargers that are Members of a Third-Party Group in the San Diego Region*, and Order No. R9-2016-0005, *General Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges from Commercial Agricultural Operations for Dischargers Not Participating in a Third-Party Group in the San Diego Region*.

Document Availability

The Tentative Order is available online at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/board_decisions/tentative_orders/

Interested parties may receive copies of the Tentative Order by contacting Abigail Pashina by phone at (619) 521-3379 or by email at Abigail.Pashina@waterboards.ca.gov or visiting the San Diego Water Board office at 2375 Northside Drive, Suite 100, San Diego, California 92108-2700, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Submission of Written Comments

Notice is hereby given that the San Diego Water Board is extending the deadline for submitting comments on the Tentative Order from Monday, May 13, 2024, to **Tuesday, May 28, 2024**. The extension of the comment period provides additional time for interested persons or parties to submit written comments on the Tentative Order. All written comments regarding the Tentative Order must be received no later than **5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 28, 2024**, to be considered by the San Diego Water Board. Written comments sent by mail must be addressed to California Regional Water Quality Control Board – San Diego Region, 2375 Northside Drive, Suite 100, San Diego, California 92108-2700, and ATTN: Abigail Pashina. Comments may be submitted by email to: sandiego@waterboards.ca.gov. The subject line of all written comments must include “Comment – Tentative Order No. R9-2024-0029.”

The early submission of written comments on the Tentative Order is encouraged. Written comments received by **5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 28, 2024**, will be provided

to the San Diego Water Board members for their review in advance of the public hearing to consider the adoption of the Tentative Order. San Diego Water Board staff will prepare written responses to significant comments that are timely received.

Consistent with State Water Resource Control Board regulations that apply to this proceeding, written comments received after **5:00 p.m. on, May 28, 2024**, will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party.

Electronic Mailing List

The San Diego Water Board established an email list specifically for its Commercial Agriculture Regulatory Program. The San Diego Water Board uses the email list to notify interested persons of upcoming important events and the availability of online documents. Persons interested in receiving future notices and information on this specific project can subscribe to the email list titled "Agriculture and Nurseries," located under "Special Topics" at the following link:

https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/CAWRCB/subscriber/new?qsp=san_diego

Contact for Further Information

Please contact Cailynn Smith by phone at (619) 521-3380 or email at Cailynn.Smith@waterboards.ca.gov; or Abigail Pashina by phone at (619) 521-3379 or email at Abigail.Pashina@waterboards.ca.gov for additional information regarding the Tentative Order. Please share this information with any person who would be interested in this matter.

Date of Notice: April 15, 2024