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State Water Resources Control Board

**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS,  
PUBLIC OUTREACH MEETINGS, AND  
ADOPTION MEETING**

**DRAFT PROPOSITION 68  
GROUNDWATER TREATMENT AND REMEDIATION GRANT  
PROGRAM GUIDELINES**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will receive public comments on the Draft Proposition 68 Groundwater Treatment and Remediation Grant Program (TRGP) Funding Guidelines (Guidelines), dated May 2019.

**NOTICE IS ADDITIONALLY HEREBY GIVEN** that State Water Board staff will conduct three public outreach meetings. Interested parties may provide oral comments on the Draft Guidelines at these meetings. The dates, times, and locations of the meetings are provided below.

**Monday, June 24, 2019 – 10:00 a.m.**

**Northern California Meeting**

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board – Sacramento Office  
11020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200  
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

**Tuesday, June 25, 2019 – 10:00 a.m.**

**Southern California Meeting**

Water Replenishment District of Southern California  
4040 Paramount Blvd, Suite 200  
Lakewood, CA 90712

**Wednesday, June 26, 2019 – 10:00 a.m.**

**Central Valley Meeting**

Fresno City Hall  
2600 Fresno Street  
Fresno, CA 93721

**NOTICE IS ADDITIONALLY HEREBY GIVEN** that the State Water Board will consider adopting the Guidelines at the Tuesday, August 20, 2019 State Water Board Meeting. The date, time, and location of the Board meeting are provided on the next page.

**Tuesday, August 20, 2019 – 9:30 a.m.**  
**State Water Board Meeting**  
Joe Serna Jr.–CalEPA Headquarters Building  
Coastal Hearing Room – Second Floor  
1001 I Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

## **BACKGROUND**

The California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access For All Act of 2018 (commonly referred to as Proposition 68), Chapter 11.1 Groundwater Sustainability (Chapter 11.1) allocates \$80 million for treatment and remediation activities that prevent or reduce the contamination of groundwater that serves as a source of drinking water.

The Draft Funding Guidelines outline the process to solicit applications, criteria to evaluate and select eligible proposals, and requirements that apply to funded projects.

## **DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY**

The May 2019 Draft Guidelines are available for review online at:

[https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\\_issues/programs/grants\\_loans/propositions/prop68.html](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/propositions/prop68.html)

You may also request a paper copy of the Draft Guidelines by contacting Mr. Matt Pavelchik at (916) 319-8258 or [Matthew.Pavelchik@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Matthew.Pavelchik@waterboards.ca.gov).

Staff intend to present the Draft Guidelines to the State Water Board for consideration of adoption at the August 20, 2019 Board Meeting. After reviewing public comments and input from the public meetings, an updated version of the Draft Guidelines will be posted for public comment prior to the August 20, 2019 Board Meeting. This will occur as part of the regular State Water Board Meeting Agenda process, at:

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board\\_info/calendar](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/calendar).

## **SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS**

The State Water Board will accept written comments on the May 2019 Draft Guidelines. To submit written comments, please use the subject line: **“Comment Letter – Proposition 68 Groundwater Treatment and Remediation Grant Program Guidelines”**. Written comments must be received by **12:00 noon on Wednesday, July 3, 2019** and should be submitted to the attention of:

Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board  
State Water Resources Control Board  
1001 I Street, 24th Floor  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Comment letters may be submitted to Clerk to the Board via email (if less than 15 megabytes) at [commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov). If the electronic comment letter is greater than 15 megabytes, it may be submitted by fax at (916) 341-5620. Couriers delivering hard copies of comment letters must check in with lobby security personnel, who can contact Ms. Townsend at (916) 341-5600.

## PROCEDURAL MATTERS

A quorum of the State Water Board Members may attend the June public meetings (in Northern California, Southern California, and the Central Valley); however, no final Board action will be taken on those dates.

At the August 20, 2019 State Water Board Meeting, the Board will consider adoption of the Guidelines. Participants will be given the opportunity to summarize and supplement their written materials with oral presentations during the Board Meeting. There will be no sworn testimony or cross-examination of participants. However, the State Water Board and its staff may ask clarifying questions. To ensure a productive and efficient Board Meeting, the Board may limit the time for oral comments.

For recommendations regarding presentations to the Board, please go to:  
[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board\\_info/meetings/board\\_presentations.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/meetings/board_presentations.shtml).

## MEETING DETAILS AND REGISTRATION

Individuals requiring language interpretation services should contact Ms. Mandy Roman at the State Water Board at least 10 days before the public meeting at (916) 341-5265 or at [Mandy.Roman@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Mandy.Roman@waterboards.ca.gov).

### *June 24, 2019, Northern California (Sacramento) Public Meeting*

Please register to attend at:

[https://prop68\\_groundwater\\_guidelines\\_sacramento\\_workshop.eventbrite.com](https://prop68_groundwater_guidelines_sacramento_workshop.eventbrite.com)

A broadcast of the Sacramento public meeting will also be available online at:

<https://video.calepa.ca.gov/>

### *June 25, 2019, Southern California (Lakewood) Public Meeting*

Please register to attend at:

[https://prop68\\_groundwater\\_guidelines\\_lakewood\\_workshop.eventbrite.com](https://prop68_groundwater_guidelines_lakewood_workshop.eventbrite.com)

### *June 26, 2019, Central Valley (Fresno) Public Meeting*

Please register to attend at:

[https://prop68\\_groundwater\\_guidelines\\_fresno\\_workshop.eventbrite.com](https://prop68_groundwater_guidelines_fresno_workshop.eventbrite.com)

### *August 20, 2019, State Water Board Meeting*

For directions to the Joe Serna, Jr. (CalEPA) Building and public parking information, please refer to this website: <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/headquarters-sacramento/location/>. The CalEPA Building is accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to call (916) 341-5261 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 meeting will be available via the internet and can be accessed at <https://video.calepa.ca.gov/>.

All visitors to the CalEPA Building are required to sign in and obtain a badge at the Visitor Services Center located just inside the main entrance (10th Street entrance). Valid picture identification may be required. Please allow up to 15 minutes for security clearance. For more details about this meeting please go to:

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board\\_info/calendar/index.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/calendar/index.shtml)

**FUTURE NOTICES**

The State Water Board will hold the public outreach and adoption meetings at the times and places noted above. Any change in the date, time, and place of the meetings or to the public comment period will be provided via the State Water Board email distribution list. Any person desiring to receive future notices concerning the Guidelines must subscribe to the State Water Board's email distribution list. The subscription form is located at:


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

To subscribe, select the "Financial Assistance (Grants and Loans)" category, then check the box for "Groundwater Quality Funding Assistance," and provide the required information.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Please direct all questions regarding this notice and the Guidelines to Mr. Matt Pavelchik at (916) 319-8258 or [Matthew.Pavelchik@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Matthew.Pavelchik@waterboards.ca.gov).

\_\_\_\_\_ May 17, 2019  
Date

  
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Jeanine Townsend  
Clerk to the Board