



Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

November 22, 2013

BY ELECTRONIC MAIL

Dear Salinas River Management Interested Party (Distribution List Attached):

INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN SALINAS RIVER MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP ON MARCH 6, 2014

Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Coast Water Board) staff invites you to participate in a Central Coast Water Board public workshop from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM on March 6, 2014, at the Monterey County Government Center Board Chambers, 168 W. Alisal Street, 1st Floor, Salinas, California 93901.

The workshop will provide an opportunity for regulatory agencies, landowners, other stakeholders, and the public to provide recommendations to the Central Coast Water Board on short and long term strategies for Salinas River management that allow for flood risk reduction activities while protecting the habitat and other functions of the river. Management activities such as sediment and vegetation removal from the river may require the Central Coast Water Board to issue permits, such as a Water Quality Certification under Clean Water Action section 401, or Waste Discharge Requirements under California Water Code Section 13260. Please note that the Central Coast Water Board will take no action at this workshop.

Your input and perspective are valuable to the Central Coast Water Board. In addition to presentations by Monterey County Water Resources Agency and Central Coast Water Board staff, there will be panel presentations from: landowners and agricultural representatives; environmental groups; and government oversight agencies. Additional presenters and/or panels may also be identified. Central Coast Water Board staff envisions that each panel will have 20 to 45 minutes to present, depending on the number of entities represented on the panel. If you are interested in participating on one of these panels, please RSVP to Central Coast Water Board staff (contact information below) by January 1, 2014. Central Coast Water Board staff will provide each interested speaker with the list of other RSVPs to allow panel members to coordinate their presentations.

During the workshop, the Central Coast Water Board Chairman will also provide a public comment period. The Central Coast Water Board Chairman will decide how many minutes to allocate to other stakeholders and members of the general public depending on the number of people who want to speak.

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If you know of any other entities in addition to those shown in the attached distribution list that would benefit from participating on a speaking panel, please contact Central Coast Water Board staff.

If you have any questions about the workshop, or to provide the items requested in this letter, please contact Jennifer Epp at jepp@waterboards.ca.gov or 805-594-6181.

Sincerely,

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Item No. 3 Attachment 3 March 6-7, 2014 Salinas River Management Workshop Invitation