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# State Water Resources Control Board

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

### DRAFT NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM GENERAL PERMIT FOR DISCHARGES OF STORM WATER ASSOCIATED WITH CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will hold a public hearing to accept comments on the proposed Draft General Permit for Discharges of Storm Water Associated with Construction Activities (Draft Construction General Permit). A quorum of the Board may be present, however, no Board action will be taken. The location and time of the hearing are provided below.

**June 3, 2009 – 9:00 a.m.**  
**Cal/EPA Headquarters Building**  
**Coastal Hearing Room**  
**1001 I Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor**  
**Sacramento, CA 95814**

### BACKGROUND

On August 19, 1999, the State Water Board adopted the Construction General Permit ([Water Quality Order 99-08-DWQ](#)) for regulation of storm water discharges associated with construction activity. Water Quality Order 99-08-DWQ expired August 19, 2004 but remains in effect until a new General Permit is adopted.

On June 19, 2006, a panel of storm water experts (Panel) submitted a report to the State Water Board titled: "The Feasibility of Numeric Effluent Limits Applicable to Discharges of Storm Water Associated with Municipal, Industrial and Construction Activities." The Panel's final report is posted on the State Water Board Web site at [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\\_issues/programs/stormwater/numeric.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/stormwater/numeric.shtml). The State Water Board has considered the report's conclusions and recommendations in the preparation of this Draft Construction General Permit.

In March 2007, State Water Board staff issued a preliminary Draft Construction General Permit and received many public comments.

In March 2008, State Water Board staff issued a proposed Draft Construction General Permit. Staff held workshops in Northern and Southern California and received many public comments. In response to significant comments, the proposed Draft Construction General Permit has again been revised.

## DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

The proposed Draft Construction General Permit, previous proposed draft permits, the existing Construction General Permit, and comments received, are available to view or download on the Storm Water Web site:

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\\_issues/programs/stormwater/constpermits.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/stormwater/constpermits.shtml)

## REQUESTS FOR DOCUMENTS, COMMENTS, AND OTHER INFORMATION

The State Water Board is interested in receiving comments regarding all aspects of the Draft Construction General Permit. Oral comments can be made during the public hearing. Comments on the Draft Construction General Permit may be submitted in writing. Written comments must be received by **5:00 p.m. on June 17, 2009** and addressed to:

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 the Clerk to the Board via email at [commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov) (if less than 15 megabytes in total size) or by fax at (916) 341-5620. Please indicate in the subject line: **“Comment Letter – Draft Construction General Permit”**.

For information regarding future public notices or status of the Construction General Permit, please sign up for the “Storm Water Construction Permitting Issues” electronic mailing lists at the State Water Board’s Lyris List Web site:

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/lyrisforms/swrcb\\_subscribe.html](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/lyrisforms/swrcb_subscribe.html)

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allow up to 15 minutes for receiving clearance before proceeding to the Coastal Hearing Room on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor.

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Questions regarding the proposed Draft Construction General Permit should be directed to the Storm Water Section at (916) 341-5537 or email at [stormwater@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:stormwater@waterboards.ca.gov).

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April 23, 2009  
Date

*Jeanine Townsend*  
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Jeanine Townsend  
Clerk to the Board

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If you would like a hard copy of the draft Construction General Permit sent via postal mail, please return this to:

Storm Water Section, PO Box 1977, Sacramento, CA 95812.

Company: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State Zip: \_\_\_\_\_