

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
BOARD MEETING SESSION – DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY
APRIL 8, 2015**

ITEM 10

SUBJECT

LAWRENCE LIVERMORE NATIONAL LABORATORY, LAWRENCE BERKELEY NATIONAL LABORATORY, AND U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY STATUS REPORT ON DEVELOPMENT OF RECOMMENDATIONS FOR GROUNDWATER MONITORING RELATED TO OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION.

DISCUSSION

California Water Code section 10783 (Senate Bill 4, Pavley, Statutes of 2013) requires the State Water Board develop model criteria for groundwater monitoring related to oil and gas production by July 1, 2015; and the State Water Board seek the advice of experts in the development of the model criteria. Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL) has been retained as expert advisor for model criteria development. LLNL, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, and U.S. Geological Survey staff will provide a status report to the State Water Board on their progress in developing recommendations.

POLICY ISSUE

None, this is an informational item.

FISCAL IMPACT

None, this is an informational item.

REGIONAL BOARD IMPACT

None, this is an informational item.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

None, this is an informational item.

<p>State Water Board action on this item will assist the Water Boards in reaching Goal 5 of the Strategic Plan Update: 2008-2012 to enhance and improve accessibility of groundwater quality information.</p>
