

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
BOARD MEETING/HEARING SESSION – DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
JUNE 22, 2016**

ITEM 11

SUBJECT

PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED ADOPTION OF CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 22, SECTIONS 64300, 64305, 64310, AND 64315, DRINKING WATER FEE REGULATIONS.

DISCUSSION

The State Board is proposing regulations to establish a fee schedule to support the Drinking Water Program as required by SB 83 (2015). The proposed regulations set forth a fee schedule for public water systems, which ensures, as the law requires, that the State Board generates sufficient revenue to pay for the level of expenditures authorized in the Budget Act. The specific purpose and the basis for the State Water Resources Control Board's (State Water Board) determination of the necessity of the proposal are explained in the [Initial Statement of Reasons](#).

The State Water Board published and distributed a [Notice of Proposed Rulemaking](#) on April 29, 2016. The written comment period closes at 5:00 p.m. on June 22, 2016.

Under the Administrative Procedure Act, the State Water Board is required to hold a public hearing on proposed regulations only if an interested person makes a written request for a public hearing to the State Water Board no later than 15 days prior to the close of the written comment period. Due to the interest in the regulations, a public hearing was scheduled without waiting for a written request for a public hearing. This public hearing satisfies the public hearing requirement in the Administrative Procedure Act.

POLICY ISSUE

The State Water Board will hold a public hearing to accept comments on the [proposed regulation text](#) for the Drinking Water Program.

FISCAL IMPACT

The State Water Board is authorized to assess and collect Safe Drinking Water Fees in order to implement The Safe Drinking Water Act. The draft regulations, if approved as proposed, will have no net fiscal impact on the State Water Board.

REGIONAL BOARD IMPACT

None.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

No action.