



# State Water Resources Control Board

# REVISED Written Comment Deadline Extended

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING Proposed Vapor Intrusion Assessment Amendment to State Water Board Resolution 92-49: Policies and Procedures for Investigation and Cleanup and Abatement of Discharges under Water Code § 13304

Teleconference Meeting During COVID-19 Emergency: As a result of the COVID-19 public health emergency, this meeting will occur solely via remote presence.

Thursday, April 28, 2022
Via Video and Teleconference Only
No Physical Meeting Location

Scoping Meeting #1
10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. PDT
Zoom Registration Link
https://forms.office.com/g/ts5CrzSBve

Scoping Meeting #2
5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. PDT
Zoom Registration Link
https://forms.office.com/g/6xY2DrXvLG

If you wish to attend the meeting, please register in advance using the forms links above. The program host will email you Zoom sign in details before the meeting. For any questions, please email the program host at: <a href="mailto:DWQ-vaporintrusion@Waterboards.ca.gov">DWQ-vaporintrusion@Waterboards.ca.gov</a>

**NOTICE IS HEARBY GIVEN** that the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), Division of Water Quality, Site Cleanup Unit staff will hold two public scoping meetings for a proposed amendment to State Water Board Resolution No. 92-49 (as amended on April 21, 1994, and October 2, 1996) to include requirements for the investigation and assessment of vapor intrusion at cleanup sites statewide. The purpose of the scoping meetings is to receive input on the range of

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project actions, alternatives, reasonably foreseeable methods of compliance, significant impacts to be analyzed, cumulative impacts if any, and mitigation measures that will reduce impacts to a less than significant level; and to eliminate from detailed study issues found not to be important from the draft Substitute Environmental Document (SED). The SED will be prepared in accordance with the requirements of State Water Board's certified California Environmental Quality Act regulatory program and will provide an analysis of any significant or potentially significant adverse environmental impacts resulting from the proposed amendment pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 3777.

Two separate virtual meetings with the same presentation will be held to allow schedule flexibility. The meetings will provide an overview of the draft amendment and an opportunity for the public to provide oral and written comments. A public comment period and public hearing will also be held regarding the draft amendment at a later date.

Written comments may be submitted in accordance with the instructions set forth below by 12:00 p.m. PDT (noon) on May 9, 2022 June 3, 2022.

## **Project Description**

The State Water Board proposes to amend State Water Board Resolution No. 92-49 to include requirements for the investigation and assessment of vapor intrusion from vapor- forming chemicals. Vapor intrusion is a frequent problem at contaminated sites statewide. If left uncontrolled, chemical vapors can pose a significant health risk to communities living on and near contaminated sites. Vapor migration from the subsurface into buildings is complex which can cause an underestimation of vapor concentrations indoors. To control or prevent vapor migration into existing buildings or for future development, sites must first be assessed or screened for vapor intrusion risk.

Currently, vapor intrusion assessments are conducted on a case-by-case basis, using applicable guidance as appropriate. The proposed amendment to State Water Board Resolution No. 92-49 would establish state policy for water quality control that requires the use of an expeditious, consistent, and protective approach using statewide data for assessing vapor intrusion risk.

# **Language Services**

To request language interpretation or sign language services, please submit your request at least 10 business days before the meeting by contacting Marina Perez at (916) 322-4265 or <a href="marina.perez@waterboards.ca.gov">marina.perez@waterboards.ca.gov</a>.

# **Accessibility**

Telecommunications device for the hearing impaired (TDD) users may contact the California Relay Service at: (800) 735-2929 or voice line at (800) 735-2922.

## **Submission of Comments**

The State Water Board will accept both written and oral comments. The scoping meeting will be conducted virtually, using online video and audio broadcast software. Agencies, organizations, and the public will be able to provide oral comments directly through the online Zoom meeting or Zoom telephone access number. As stated above, to access the Zoom meeting online or by telephone, please register in advance. Written comments must be received by 12:00 p.m. PDT (noon) on May 9, 2022 June 3, 2022. Comments can be submitted electronically if less than 15 megabytes in total size to commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov . Please include the subject line "Comment Letter – Resolution 92-49 Amendment Scoping." Comments can also be mailed to the address below:

Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board State Water Resources Control Board P.O. Box 100, Sacramento, CA 95812-2000 (mail) 1001 I Street, 24th floor, Sacramento, CA 95814 (hand-delivered)

Couriers delivering hand copies of comment letters must check in with lobby security personnel, who can contact Jeanine Townsend at (916) 341-5600.

## **Future Notices**

Any change in the date, time, and place of the scoping meeting will be publicly noticed on the State Water Board website and through Lyris e-mail list. Any person desiring to receive future notices concerning the proposed vapor intrusion amendment should sign up on the Lyris e-mail list. To sign up for a Lyris list, access the email List Subscription Form at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email\_subscriptions/swrcb\_subscribe.html, click the "Water Quality" tab, and check the box for "Vapor Intrusion."

For any questions about the project, contact Roshani Dantas at roshani.dantas@waterboards.ca.gov.

For more information on the State Water Board Resolution No. 92-49 Vapor Intrusion Amendment effort, please visit:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\_issues/programs/site\_cleanup\_program/vapor\_i ntrusion/

May 18, 2022	SIGNATURE ON FILE
Date	Jeanine Townsend
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