# State Water Resources Control Board April 19, 2016 Item 9 - Executive Director's Report

### **DIVISION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

## **Program Activity:**

### Outreach Compliance/Servicing

WateReuse California 2016 Annual Conference: State Water Board staff participated in the WateReuse California 2016 Annual Conference March 13-15, 2016, in Santa Rosa. Staff had the opportunity to network with hundreds of individuals, organizations, and agencies that are associated with or interested in the design, management, operation, and use of water recycling facilities and projects in California. Staff also provided information on the State Water Board's funding opportunities, specifically the Water Recycling Funding Program.

<u>California-Nevada (CA-NV) Section - American Water Works Association (AWWA) 2016</u>
<u>Spring Conference</u>: State Water Board staff participated in the CA-NV Section, AWWA's Spring Conference March 21-24, 2016, in Sacramento. Staff networked with hundreds of industry professionals providing information on the State Water Board's available funding opportunities, specifically the Drinking Water and Clean Water State Revolving Fund programs (DWSRF and CWSRF) and funding for interim emergency drinking water needs (part of the Governor's emergency drought relief package). Staff also responded to various questions regarding these funding programs as well as Proposition 1 funding.

#### DFA Environmental Review

The following Clean Water, wastewater and water recycling construction projects, and Drinking Water project California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) determinations were approved:

<u>Clean Water</u>: Pajaro Valley Water Management Agency, Recycled Water Treatment & Storage - Phase Storage Tank Project (CWSRF No. C-06-8072-110-130) - CEQA determination on an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) was approved on March 14, 2016, and a Notice Determination (NOD) was filed with Governor's Office of Planning Research on March 16, 2016.

<u>Water Supply Permits</u>: The following Water Supply Permit CEQA Determinations and Exemptions of were prepared by DFA Environmental Section staff for the Division of Drinking Water:

- Crescenta Valley Water District, Construction and Operation of a Connection from a Ground Water Well to a Nitrate Removal Plant and Operation of the Groundwater Well (Water System No. 1910028), NOD
- East Valley Water District, Operation of Plant 143 Improvement Project (Water System No. 3610064), NOD
- Golden State Water Company, PD-S-930 MOD #1 (Runkle Canyon) (Water System No. 5610059), NOE
- San Benito County, Operation of George Chiala Farms, Frozen Inc. Agricultural Processing Facility (Water System No. 3500928), NOD
- E & J Gallo Winery, Operation of Gallo Winery Well #10 (Water System No. 2400169).
   State Water Board is the lead agency, NOE

- Molino Corner Water System, Operation of Molino Corner Building Addition and Water Main (Water System No. 4901341), NOE
- Madrone Mutual Water Company, Madrone Mutual Water Company Chlorinator (Water System No. 4900513). State Water Board is lead agency, NOE
- Irvine Ranch Water District, Foothill Zone 6 and Portola Zone 8 Reservoir Management Systems (RMSs) (Water System No. 30100923), NOD
- Southern California Edison, Additional Desalination System Seawater Treatment (Water System No. 1910006). State Water Board is lead agency, NOE
- Soults Pump and Equipment Company, Willitts Equipment Company Inc. New Well 02 (Water System No. 5403154). State Water Board is lead agency, NOE
- Michel-Schlumberger Fine Wine Estates, Remove Chlorination System (Water System No. 4901042). State Water Board is lead agency, NOE
- Mariposa Public Utility District, Construction Upgrade to the Trabuco Street Surface Water Treatment Plant and Operation of the System (Water System No. 2210001), NOD.

### Cleanup and Abatement Account Unit:

Interim Emergency Drinking Water Funding Programs: The Division has approved approximately \$3.68 million for 14 projects under the SB 103 \$4 million allotment. Appropriation of SB 103 funds ended in June 30, 2015. Remaining funds from the program reverted back to the Cleanup and Abatement Account. No additional projects will be funded through this appropriation.

(http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board\_decisions/adopted\_orders/resolutions/2014/rs2014\_001 9.pdf):

The Division has also approved a total of approximately \$1.6 million for 17 projects from the \$2.12 million the State Water Board allocated for Interim Emergency Drinking Water in June 2014

(http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/board\_decisions/adopted\_orders/resolutions/2014/rs2014\_0028.pdf):

The Division has also approved approximately \$5.4 million for 36 projects from the \$19 million the State Water Board allocated for the AB91 set-aside for interim emergency drinking water and drought-related emergencies or threatened emergencies. Guidelines for this funding were adopted at the May 19, 2015 Board Meeting:

http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/board\_decisions/adopted\_orders/resolutions/2015/rs2015\_0035.pdf

- Installation of a tank and connecting it to the existing distribution system and hauled water for the Community of Hardwick. \$21,000 (Kings County);
- Bottled water distribution for residents with a contaminated water supply in the Jamestown/Quartz Hill/Stent area. \$20,000 (Tuolumne County);

On March 25,2016, the Division received a request from San Diego County to withdraw their \$138,006 approved funding request to set-up a county-wide bottled water distribution program because the County could not find another viable not-for-profit partner that will implement the program after their first not-for-profit partner decided to back out.

On December 15, 2015, the State Water Board allocated \$5 million for interim or permanent solutions assisting small water systems (those with fewer than 15 connections) and individual households suffering from drought-related drinking water emergencies. This program is currently under development and is expected to be implemented next year in 2016.

Staff will continue to conduct outreach and coordinate with other state and federal agencies to identify and assist those communities that have been impacted by contamination or drought emergencies.

# **DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY**

<u>Department of Defense, FUDS Notification and Safety Education Initiative Letters</u>: The United States Army Corp of Engineers (USACE) will be mailing out Notification and Safety Education Initiative (NSEI) letters to Formerly Used Defense Site (FUDS) landowners in early spring 2016. The NSEI letters inform landowners about potential contamination or unexploded ordnance on their land and direct them to contact USACE. However, landowners may call the State Water Board or one of the nine Regional Water Boards with questions. If so, landowners should be directed towards USACE per the contact information provided in the letters. For additional information, go to:

http://www.usace.army.mil/Portals/2/docs/Environmental/FUDS/FUDS\_Notification\_and\_Safety\_Education\_Fact\_Sheet.pdf

<u>Draft Statewide Wetland Definition and Procedures for Regulation of Discharges of Dredged and Fill Material to Waters of the State (proposed Policy)</u>: The draft Proposed Policy is undergoing final review and the staff report is being updated in advance of a public review release tentatively scheduled to begin in May 2016. A Board hearing to receive public comments is tentatively planned for June 2016.

Implementation of the Desalination Amendment to the California Ocean Plan: As directed in Resolution 2015-0033, adopted May 6, 2015, State Water Board staff is collaborating with the regional water boards, California Coastal Commission, California State Lands Commission, and other agencies involved in the permitting of seawater desalination facilities. This interagency collaborative effort will allow for better coordination of agency review and permitting processes, while ensuring that new and expanded desalination facilities are in compliance with the Amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for Ocean Waters of California Addressing Desalination Facility Intakes, Discharges, and the Incorporation of Other Non-substantive Changes (Desalination Amendment).

On March 30, 2016, State Water Board and San Diego Regional Water Board Staff attended an agency briefing for the South Coast Water District's proposed Doheny Ocean Desalination Project in Dana Point. The Doheny Ocean Desalination Project would use the preferred intake (subsurface slant wells) and discharge (commingling brine with wastewater effluent) technologies identified in the Desalination Amendment to withdraw 30 Million Gallons per Day (MGD) of seawater and produce 15 MGD of potable water.

In February 2016, State Water Board staff initiated a formal consultation process with Santa Ana Regional Water Board staff and the California Coastal Commission to review plans for the proposed Poseidon Huntington Beach Desalination Facility. State Water Board staff is also working with San Diego Regional Water Board staff to review the NPDES permit renewal application for the Poseidon Carlsbad Desalination Project. State Water Board staff and Santa Ana and San Diego Regional Water Board staff met with Poseidon representatives on April 12, 2016 to discuss conformity of Poseidon's seawater desalination facilities with the Desalination Amendment.

State Water Board staff is also collaborating with the Central Coast Regional Water Board, Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary, and California State Lands Commission regarding the proposed DeepWater Desal Monterey Bay Regional Water Project in Moss Landing. Staff anticipates the collaborative interagency efforts to increase this summer.

<u>Oil and Gas Monitoring – Aquifer Exemption</u>: The State Water Board and the Division of Oil, Gas & Geothermal Resources (DOGGR) submitted the Arroyo Grande Aquifer Exemption package to the U.S. EPA on February 8, 2016. Water Board staff are working with DOGGR to respond to specific comments posed by the U.S. EPA. The deadline for aquifer exemption approval by the U.S. EPA is February 15, 2017. The State Water Board received three additional aquifers packages from DOGGR headquarters: Round Mountain (February 9, 2016), Fruitvale (March 17, 2016) and Tejon (March 17, 2016).

State Water Board Strategy to Optimize Resource Management of Storm Water (STORMS or Storm Water Strategy): On January 6, 2016, the State Water Board adopted a Resolution supporting the Strategy to Optimize Resource Management of Storm Water (STORMS or Storm Water Strategy) and directed Water Board staff to implement the first phase of proposed projects. STORMs staff initiated work on the following projects; Developing Guidance for Alternative Compliance Approaches (3a), Elimination of Funding Barriers (4b), Stormwater Open Data and Information (5a), Urban Pesticides Reduction (6a), Opportunities for Source Control (6b). Work on the project titled Stormwater Capture and Use (1a and 1b) is awaiting contract approval, which is expected soon. Work on Projects (4a) began with the adoption of the Stormwater Resource Plan Guidelines, and it is now being tracked for implementation. The second meeting of the STORMS Implementation Committee formed at the request of interested parties was held April 14, 2016 in Sacramento.

The Storm Water Planning Unit is organizing a "STORMS Seminar Series" of informational brown bags, seminars, and workshops, as an educational component of the STORMS. The STORMS Seminar Series helps fulfill the mission of STORMS, to change the perception of storm water from that of a waste to being recognized as a resource in California. The first seminar was held at Oakland City Hall on March 23, 2016 and was broadcasted live to a wide California audience. The seminar featured Dr. Luthy of Stanford University, who shared the findings of his recent report, Using Graywater and Stormwater to Enhance Local Water Supplies. The second seminar occurred on April 18, 2016 at the CalEPA building, focusing on Continuous Monitoring and Adaptive Control technology from Opti Engineering. The seminars will be recorded and posted on the STORMS website to serve as an educational resource. <a href="http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\_issues/programs/stormwater/strategy\_initiative.shtml">http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\_issues/programs/stormwater/strategy\_initiative.shtml</a>

State and Regional Water Board Implementation of Trash Plan: On March 1, 2016, State and Regional Water Board staff, in consultation with representatives of California Stormwater Quality Association (CASQA), non-governmental organizations, municipalities, consultants, and trash control systems industry representatives (referred collectively as The Technical Committee) evaluated nine trash treatment controls, as set forth in the New Development and Redevelopment Best Management Practices (BMP) Handbook (CASQA, 2003). Staff, together with the Technical Committee, is developing a certified full-capture BMP system list and guidance for determining whether any Treatment Control systems meet the requirements of a full capture system. The Technical Committee determined that six of the trash treatment controls, with modification, could meet the requirements for certification as a full trash capture system as required by the State Water Board. Two of the examined treatment controls, Wet Ponds and Constructed Wetlands, will not be deemed full trash capture systems even though they are effective in treatment of other pollutants. The Technical Committee

determined that the Oil/Water Separator also will not meet the requirements of a full trash capture system.

<u>State Water Board Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program (ILRP)</u>: The ILRP reports are included in Appendix A at the end of this report.

Statewide Advisory Committee on Cooling Water Intake Structures: The Statewide Advisory Committee on Cooling Water Intake Structures (SACCWIS) is planning to hold its annual meeting during April 2016, to consider approval of its report and recommendations to the State Water Board. The 2016 draft SACCWIS report will be made publically available in early April 2016 and a formal public notice will be provided prior to the SACCWIS meeting. The report and recommendations will be presented to the State Water Board at a future meeting.

<u>Statewide Policies/Significant General Permits</u>: This month's Policy and Permits Table is included in Appendix B at the end of this report.

### **DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS**

Adoption of Reporting and Measurement Regulation: On March 21, 2016, the Office of Administrative Law approved the Measurement and Reporting Regulation on the diversion of water. This regulation was adopted by the State Water Board on January 19, 2016 to implement Senate Bill 88 (SB 88) regarding measuring and reporting of water diversions. The regulation affects statement holders claiming riparian and pre-1914 appropriative rights and persons authorized to appropriate water under a permit, license, registration (small domestic, small irrigation, or livestock stockpond), or certificate for stockpond use (diverters). SB 88 required all diverters of 10 acre-feet annually (afa) or more to measure diversions by January 1, 2016. The measurement regulation limits measurement to diversions greater than 10 afa, and is implemented on a tiered basis with larger diverters implementing measurement in 2016, mid-size diverters in 2017 and small-size diverters in 2018. Annual reporting of diversion amounts is now required for all diverters, whereas previously the reporting schedules varied. The legislation authorizes the State Water Board to adopt an initial regulation as an emergency regulation that shall remain in effect until revised by the State Water Board. The Reporting and Measurement Regulation information can be found online at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water issues/programs/measurement regulation/

California WaterFix Water Right Petition and Hearing: On March 28, 2016, the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) hearing officers for the California WaterFix (WaterFix) water right change petition hearing received a letter from the Department of Water Resources and the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (collectively Petitioners) requesting a 60-day continuance of all dates and deadlines associated with the hearing. Following request for continuance of the hearing, the hearing officers also received requests from several parties to dismiss the petition and additional requests to delay and stay the hearing pending resolution of several matters, as well as requests to modify the hearing officers for this hearing. All of these documents have been or will be posted on the State Water Board's website at: <a href="http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water\_issues/programs/bay\_delta/california\_waterfix/">http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water\_issues/programs/bay\_delta/california\_waterfix/</a>.

In response to the various requests, the upcoming deadlines are suspended. A ruling will be issued in the near future formally addressing the requests and providing additional information about the hearing schedule.

2016 Emergency Drought Barrier Project: On March 14, 2016, the Department of Water Resources (DWR) submitted a letter withdrawing its November 10, 2015 application for water quality certification for the 2016 West False River Salinity Barrier Project. DWR has determined that, due to current hydrologic conditions, there is no reasonable expectation that climate conditions this year would reduce water storage to critical levels such that a rock barrier would be needed to control salinity in the Delta. Based on water storage in upstream reservoirs, it is projected that Delta outflow will be able to control Delta salinity. However, considering the existing drought conditions, DWR would like to continue discussions with State Water Board staff regarding the possibility of a programmatic (i.e., long-term) permit to install a salinity barrier at West False River in 2017 and beyond as a comprehensive multi-year drought contingency planning effort. Information on the 2015 and 2016 barrier projects is available online at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water\_issues/programs/water\_quality\_cert/ceqa\_projects.shtml#wfrsb

<u>Updates Related to the Klamath Hydroelectric Project (Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Project No. 2082)</u>: There are two updates for the Klamath Hydroelectric Project (Project): (1) Tribal Consultation; and (2) Settlement Agreements related to the Klamath Hydroelectric Project (KHP). These items are discussed further below.

- Tribal Consultation. On January 29, 2016, the Yurok Tribe requested consultation with the State Water Board on the preparation of a water quality certification and associated environmental document. State Water Board staff plan to meet and consult with the Yurok Tribe on April 11, 2016.
- 2) Settlement Agreements Related to KHP. State Water Board staff continues to monitor the ongoing negotiations related to the agreement in principle associated with the Klamath Hydroelectric Settlement Agreement (KHSA). On March 16, 2016, KHSA parties met in Sacramento, California to discuss proposed amendments to the KHSA resulting from the agreement in principle. Unlike the original KHSA proposed amended KHSA would pursue dam removal through the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and would not require Congressional authorization. As currently proposed, under the amended KHSA, PacifiCorp would request to transfer title of the Klamath River dams to a non-federal entity (Klamath River Renewal Corporation), which would assume liability and take the appropriate steps to decommission and remove the dams. The target date for signing the amended KHSA is April 6, 2016.

Additional information on the State Water Board's water quality certification process for the KHP is available on the KHP webpage.

### Ongoing Implementation of Russian River Tributaries Emergency Regulation:

On March 30, 2016, the Office of Administrative Law approved renewal of the informational order authority provisions of the Russian River Tributaries Emergency Regulation, also known as a Drought-Related Emergency Regulation Requiring Additional Water Use Information for the Protection of Specific Fisheries in Tributaries to the Russian River. The renewed Russian River Tributaries Emergency Regulation will remain in effect for 270 days unless repealed. The enhanced water conservation component of the emergency regulation was not renewed due to improved hydrologic conditions in early 2016. Additional information on the Russian River Tributaries Emergency Regulation is available online at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water\_issues/programs/drought/water\_action\_russia nriver.shtml.

Request to Suspend Re-Adoption of Emergency Regulation for Mill, Deer, and Antelope

<u>Creeks</u>: In a <u>letter</u> to the Deputy Director for the Division of Water Rights, dated March 14, 2106, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) requests that the State Water Board suspend consideration of re-adoption of the emergency regulations for Mill, Deer and Antelope Creeks (Curtailment of Diversions due to Insufficient Flow for Specific Fisheries in Mill, Deer, and Antelope Creeks). State Water Board staff has been working closely with CDFW staff since the emergency regulation expired on December 29, 2015 to monitor hydrologic conditions and the need for the emergency regulation in 2016. Given the current hydrologic conditions and snow accumulations so far this year, CDFW does not anticipate the need for the emergency regulation, which requires minimum instream flows to provide water for the migration of listed salmonids. CDFW strongly supports the backstop of emergency regulations to protect listed species on Mill, Deer and Antelope Creeks due to the ongoing impacts of multiple years of drought. Information on the emergency regulation is available online at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water\_issues/programs/drought/milldeerantelope\_curtailment\_info.shtml.

Issuance of Water Rights Temporary Urgency Change to Woodland-Davis Clean Water Agency: On March 28, 2016, the Division of Water Rights approved a temporary urgency change petition Order for the Woodland-Davis Clean Water Agency. The approved temporary change allows the party to be served with Sacramento River water instead of continuing to rely upon their current groundwater supply wells that do not meet hexavalent chromium drinking water standards. The Order allows temporary modification of their permit and two licenses to add to the permit a point of diversion on the Sacramento River and to allow under the three rights the ability to re-divert water at a temporary pump station in Reclamation District 2035's Main Canal. Water will be delivered to the Davis Woodland Supply Project's new Regional Water Treatment Facility. The order also allows temporary suspension of a term related to their fish screened intake structure. The party coordinated with California Department of Fish and Wildlife.

Issuance of Temporary Water Right Transfer involving United States Bureau of Reclamation San Joaquin Restoration Program: On March 23, 2016, the Division of Water Rights approved a temporary transfer Order to add two points of re-diversion to four United States Bureau of Reclamation water rights. The transfer will assist Reclamation in meeting its obligation pursuant to the San Joaquin River Settlement Act to reduce or avoid adverse water supply impacts on all of the Friant Contractors that may result from Restoration Flows. San Joaquin River Restoration Program flows will be rediverted at Patterson Irrigation District and Banta-Carbona Irrigation District for beneficial use by the Friant Contractors. The transfer consists of up to 76,069 acre feet of dedicated instream flows previously stored in Millerton Reservoir and/or taken under control at Friant Dam pursuant to direct diversion rights. The transfer was publically noticed and comment letters were received from multiple parties. Authorization for instream flow dedication has already been received pursuant to State Water Board Division of Water Rights 2013 Order, pursuant to Water Code section 1707.

Notice of Staff Workshop and Opportunity to Comment: Temporary Permits for Groundwater Storage: State Water Board staff will hold a workshop on April 26, 2016 seeking public input on the appropriate fee structures for temporary water rights permits to allow underground storage/recharge, and the State Water Board's process for permitting these projects. The public notice and more information on this type of temporary permit can be found on the Project webpage.

### San Joaquin River Flows and Stanislaus River Dissolved Oxygen Requirements:

On April 1, 2016, the United States Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) filed a Temporary Urgency Change Petition (TUCP) to temporarily modify requirements in its water right permits for the New Melones Project, which is a component of the Central Valley Project. In response to low storage levels in New Melones Reservoir, Reclamation is requesting to modify its water right conditions requiring implementation of the San Joaquin River flow objectives and the Stanislaus River dissolved oxygen (DO) objective, which were imposed pursuant to State Water Resources Control Board's (State Water Board or Board) Revised Decision 1641 (D-1641) (flows and DO) and State Water Board Decision 1422 (DO only). D-1641 and D-1422 require Reclamation to meet a DO objective of 7.0 milligrams per liter (mg/L) on the Stanislaus River. Reclamation proposes instead to meet a DO objective of 5.0 mg/L at Ripon in lieu of the D-1641 and D-1422 requirement this year. D-1641 requires minimum monthly average flows on the San Joaquin River at Airport Way Bridge, Vernalis from February through June (base flows) and additional pulse flows for 31 days in April and May (on or about April 15 to May 15). For the April-May pulse flow period, the D-1641 Vernalis pulse flow requirement will be either 4,880 cubic-feet per second (cfs) or 5,480 cfs, depending on the April water year type determination expected shortly. Instead of meeting the D-1641 flow requirements, Reclamation proposes that the Stanislaus River flows specified in Appendix 2(E) of the 2009 National Marine Fisheries Service Biological Opinion (an average of 720 cfs) be provided. In addition, Reclamation has requested that Oakdale Irrigation District (OID) and South San Joaquin Irrigation District (SSJID) concur with releasing 75 thousand acre-feet (TAF) of water during the April-May period to supplement Reclamation's releases from storage in New Melones Reservoir to the Stanislaus River. The combined releases are expected to create a total flow on the Stanislaus River during the pulse flow period of approximately 2,000 cfs for 31 days. Reclamation expects these flows combined with releases from the Tuolumne and Merced Rivers and South San Joaquin River accretions to result in a flow rate at Vernalis of between 3,000 to 3,200 cfs. Reclamation proposes that the Vernalis pulse flow requirement be temporarily adjusted to these levels. Reclamation also proposes a base flow requirement of 1,000 cfs from April 1 through April 15 and from May 15 through May 31, and 500 cfs for the month of June. The flow required by D-1641 for this period is likely between 2,280 cfs to 1,420 cfs.

The State Water Board held a workshop on April 5, 2016, to receive public input on this matter. Based on the information from the workshop and other information concerning this matter, the State Water Board will determine what action to take on the TUCP in the near future.

Byron-Bethany Irrigation District Administrative Civil Liability Hearing and The West Side Irrigation District Cease and Desist Order Hearing: The State Water Board scheduled a hearing to determine whether to impose administrative civil liability on Byron-Bethany Irrigation District (BBID). The State Water Board also scheduled a hearing to determine whether to adopt, with or without revision, the July 16, 2015 draft cease and desist order (draft CDO) against The West Side Irrigation District (WSID). On December 16, 2015, a joint ruling from the Hearing Officers granted a request from the BBID and WSID hearing parties for consolidation of the two hearings, and a formal revised notice was issued on January 8, 2016.

On March 21, 2016, the State Water Board commenced the consolidated hearing Phase 1 for the above-referenced matters. Immediately following completion of the Prosecution Team's case-in-chief, the BBID and WSID, along with other aligned parties, filed a motion for non-suit/judgment, which is used after presentation of a party's case-in-chief when the evidence is legally insufficient to meet the party's burden of proof. On March 25, 2016, after considering oral argument by the parties and the testimony and evidence received, the hearing officers suspended Phase 1 and subsequent phases of the hearings and vacated the existing hearing

dates. A ruling or Order providing additional information about the continuance of the hearing will be issued in the future.

Information related to these hearings is available on the State Water Board, Division of Water Rights' website at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water\_issues/programs/hearings/byron\_bethany/index.shtml

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water\_issues/programs/hearings/westside\_irrigation\_district/cease\_and\_desist\_hearing.shtml

### **DIVISION OF DRINKING WATER**

#### CENTRAL CALIFORNIA REGION

<u>City of Tulare Consolidation Order</u>: The State Water Resources Control Board-Division of Drinking Water issued the first-ever mandatory consolidation order on March 29, 2016, to the City of Tulare (City) for the consolidation of the Pratt Mutual Water Company (Pratt MWC) in Tulare County. The City is required to submit a consolidation plan to the Division of Drinking Water by May 1, 2016, and to complete the consolidation by June 1, 2016. The consolidation order was issued under the authority Senate Bill 88 which gives the State Water Board the ability to order mandatory consolidations or extensions of service to provide an adequate supply of safe drinking water to disadvantaged communities that do not have access to it currently.

The Pratt MWC's water system is a community water system located in Tulare County that supplies water for domestic purposes to approximately 1,500 individuals through approximately 279 service connections. The Pratt MWC utilizes two groundwater wells as the source of domestic water. The Pratt MWC serves the disadvantaged community of Matheny Tract, which is located outside the City Limits but within the City's Sphere of Influence. The Pratt MWC has consistently failed to provide an adequate supply of safe drinking water in that their two active wells produce water that exceeds the arsenic MCL. This situation has continued since at least 2009. The City owns and operates a water system which supplies domestic water to approximately 62,000 individuals through approximately 18,650 service connections. The City uses 24 groundwater wells as the source of domestic water.

In February 2010, the Division of Drinking Water, then with the California Department of Public Health (Department), issued the Pratt MWC a compliance order for failure of the arsenic maximum contaminant level. In an effort to mitigate high levels of arsenic, the Pratt MWC entered into a funding agreement with the Department in October 2010 and proceeded with a planning study to determine the most sustainable long-term solution to its arsenic contamination problem. The planning study concluded that Pratt MWC's consolidation with the City's water system provided the most cost-effective and sustainable long-term solution. On November 8, 2010, the City's request for an Extra-Territorial Service Agreement to serve Matheny Tract, which is served by the Pratt MWC, was approved by the Tulare Local Agency Formation Commission. On April 5, 2011, the Pratt MWC and the City entered into an agreement for consolidation of Pratt MWC. Since the agreement, the City and the Pratt MWC have entered into litigation over the legal validity of the contract. During this time the State Water Board's Division of Drinking Water has been working with both parties to help facilitate a voluntary consolidation. In August 2013, the Pratt MWC entered into a construction funding agreement with the Department for construction of two points of connection to the City's water system and

a new distribution system for Pratt MWC's service area. The estimated completion date of this construction project is April 2016.

### **DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

### **Program Activity:**

### Update on Water Quality, Water Rights and Drinking Water Fees Stakeholder Process:

The Fee Unit and Office of Research Planning and Performing held a joint training session on March 28 to assist Water Quality Fees stakeholders with navigating the State Water Board's Annual Performance Report. Fee Unit staff will be holding a meeting for Drinking Water Fees stakeholders in late-April to discuss proposed changes to the fee regulations.

# OFFICE OF ENFORCEMENT

# Administrative Civil Liability (ACL) and Cleanup and Abatement Actions Issued March 2016

### a. ACL Complaint(s) Issued

Region	Discharger/Facility	Violation(s) Addressed	ACL Complaint Amount	Date Issued
		WATER QUALITY		
5	California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation / Deuel Vocational Institution Wastewater Treatment Plant	Effluent limit violations (4/2014 – 12/2015: total coliform organisms, nitrite plus nitrate, total ammonia)	\$111,000 (MMP)	3/28/2016
5	California Water Service Company / Stockton District Water System Maintenance Project	Effluent limit violations (4/2014 – 12/2015: total chlorine residual, total suspended solids)	\$9,000 (MMP)	3/28/2016
5	City of Davis / Wastewater Treatment Plant	Effluent limit violations (1/2015 – 12/2015: biochemical oxygen demand)	\$3,000 (MMP)	3/28/2016
5	East Bay Municipal Utility District / Pardee Reservoir Recreation Area Water Treatment Plant	Effluent limit violations (4/2009 – 12/2015: total residual chlorine)	\$3,000 (MMP)	3/28/2016
5	City of Galt / Wastewater Treatment Plant and Reclamation Facility	Effluent limit violations (5/2013 – 12/2015: copper, arsenic)	\$18,000 (MMP)	3/28/2016
5	Linda County Water District / Wastewater Treatment Plant	Effluent limit violations (7/2015 – 12/2015: total coliform organisms, biochemical oxygen demand)	\$24,000 (MMP)	3/28/2016
5	City of Nevada City / Wastewater Treatment Plant	Effluent limit violations (1/2013 – 12/2015: total coliform organisms, dichlorobromomethane)	\$12,000 (MMP)	3/28/2016
5	Nevada County Sanitation District No. 1 / Lake Wildwood Wastewater Treatment Plant	Effluent limit violations (7/2013 – 12/2015: total coliform organisms)	\$3,000 (MMP)	3/28/2016

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5	City of Stockton / Regional Wastewater Control Facility	Effluent limit violations (4/2014 – 12/2015: total residual chlorine)	\$3,000 (MMP)	3/28/2016
5	San Francisco Public Utilities Commission / Lower Cherry Aqueduct Mobile Plant	Effluent limit violations (12/2014 – 11/2015: total suspended solids, total chlorine residual)	\$27,000 (MMP)	3/28/2016
5	Steven, Ferrone and Bailey Engineering Company and Brookfield Emerson Land, LLC / Emerson Ranch Construction Dewatering Project	Effluent limit violations (4/2014 – 9/2015: total suspended solids, pH)	\$21,000 (MMP)	3/28/2016
6	Aramark Sports and Entertainment Services, LLC, and Travel Systems, LLC / Tahoe Queen	Unauthorized discharge of four gallons of hydraulic oil into Lake Tahoe	\$4,683 (min: \$4,683; max: \$10,000)	3/8/2016
8	EBTA Architects / The Seth Residence	Failure to timely submit 2014-2015 construction stormwater annual report	\$1,900 (MMP+staff costs)	3/14/2016
8	Westminster School District / Johnston Middle School	Failure to timely submit 2014-2015 construction stormwater annual report	\$1,900 (MMP+staff costs)	3/14/2016
8	Dieu Ngu Temple	Failure to timely submit 2014-2015 construction stormwater annual report	\$1,900 (MMP+staff costs)	3/14/2016

# b. ACL Order(s) Issued

Region	Discharger/Facility	Violation(s) Addressed	ACL Order Amount	Date Issued					
	WATER QUALITY								
3	Heritage Ranch Community Services District / Wastewater Treatment Plant	Effluent limit violation (7/2014 – 8/2014: total coliform organisms)	\$3,000 (MMP: all to CAA)	3/29/2016					
4	La Brea Gateway Investors, LLP / La Brea Gateway Apartments	Late reporting	\$21,000 (MMP: all to CAA)	3/2/2016					
4	Service Employees International Union, Local 721 CTW, CLC / 1545 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles	Effluent limit violations (10/2013 – 12/2014: copper, total residual chlorine)	\$6,000 (MMP: all to CAA)	3/2/2016					
4	Los Angeles, Department of Water and Power / Haynes Generating Station	Effluent limit violation (9/2011: total residual chlorine)	\$3,000 (MMP: all to CAA)	3/15/2016					
4	Magic Mountain, LLC / Six Flags Magic Mountain	Effluent limit violations (10/2014 – 6/2015: copper, total suspended solids, oil and grease, chloride)	\$171,000 (MMP: all to CAA)	3/15/2016					

Region	Discharger/Facility	Violation(s) Addressed	ACL Order Amount	Date Issued
4	Westfield, LLC / 1801 Avenue of the Stars, Los Angeles	Effluent limit violation (4/2015 – 6/2015: copper)	\$3,000 (MMP: all to CAA)	3/15/2016
4	HART Renaissance Apartments, LLC / 630 South Masselin Avenue, Los Angeles	Effluent limit (7/2014 – 6/2015: copper) and late reporting violations	\$18,000 (MMP: all to CAA)	3/15/2016
4	Barney's New York, BNY California Inc. / 9570 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills	Effluent limit violations (11/2014 – 9/2015: selenium)	\$21,000 (MMP: all to CAA)	3/30/2016
5	City of Taft / Wastewater Treatment Plant	Discharge of 1,505,000 gallons of raw sewage to surface waters	\$250,000 (ECA: \$120,000; WDPF: \$130,000)	3/7/2016
5	Brent Alan Vanderkam / Shasta County APN 099-120-035-000	Discharge of at least 754,901 gallons of sediment-laden stormwater to surface water drainage course; discharge of fill material  *Department of Fish and Wildlife, Fish and Game Preservation Fund, 5-year payment schedule	\$100,000; (CAA: \$65,000; WDPF: \$5,000; FWPF*: \$30,000; max: \$8,411,430; min: \$8,886)	3/15/2016
6	Sheila M. Miner / Lassen County APN 077-332-42-11	Failure to comply with cease and desist order requiring either connection to community sewer system or abandonment of septic system in accordance with Lassen County regulations	\$1,975; (all to WDPF; max:\$395,000; min: \$7,900)	3/10/2016
	WATER RIG	HTS—No ACL Orders Issued March 20.	16	

### c.Cleanup and Abatement Order(s) Issued—None Issued MARCH 2016

Region	Discharger/Facility	Action(s) Required	Date Issued
4	Jose Garcia / Glenview Mobile Home Park On-site Wastewater Treatment System	Submit technical report regarding 6/29/2015 spill, including laboratory analytical results, actions taken to cease and remediate raw sewage discharge, daily flow generated, maintenance records, analysis of impacts, actions taken to prevent future occurrences; submit notice f decision to install 20,000-gallon below ground storage tank or new system, including abandonment procedures; if new system option is selected, submit report of waste discharge; submit and implement discharge investigation workplan, including schedule for investigation of soil and groundwater impacts and installation of monitoring wells; submit discharge investigation workplan report, including results of soil and groundwater contamination, laboratory results, proposed treatment options, and schedule to complete proposed treatment; submit quarterly progress reports; submit baseline community assessment describing current land use and demographic information within a one-mile radius; submit list of names and addresses of property owners for properties within a 500-foot radius; submit draft public participation fact sheet describing site, history, discharges, investigation and cleanup activities completed and proposed, and illustrative map.	3/18/16

### OFFICE OF INFORMATION MANAGEMENT AND ANALYSIS

#### Data Events

The Office of Information Management and Analysis (OIMA) is kicking off the inaugural series of annual data events to enhance the use and availability of high quality and high value data and information in our Water Board work. The first event was a Data Fair, which was held on March 18 and showcased a number of the Water Boards' data systems through which our data can be accessed by internal and external stakeholders. We had over 280 people (120 in person) attend the day-long Data Fair. The next event is the #CAWaterDataDive Data Innovation Challenge, aimed at getting stakeholders to dive into our data and give us ideas on bringing datasets together, visualizing it in unique ways, and providing some other product that uses data. Submittals are due April 19 and presentations on the products will be given April 22. The third event in the series is a Water Quality Symposium, scheduled for June 29, 2016. This event brings the focus back to science, while recognizing the important role of data. All of these are at CalEPA headquarters. More information about the Data Fair and Data Innovation Challenge can be found at

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/data databases/data fair/index.shtml and http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/data databases/data innov challenge.shtml, respectively. Information about the symposium will be made available as we get closer to the event.

# OFFICE OF RESEARCH, PLANNING AND PERFORMANCE

Emergency Regulation for Urban Water Conservation: The State Water Board adopted Extended Emergency Conservation Regulations in February 2016, which include adjustments based on climate, growth, and drought resilient supplies. ORPP and Board Staff have reviewed conservation credit requests, which were due on March 15, 2016, and will announce adjusted conservation requirements on April 8. The adjusted standards will go into effect beginning for the March 2016 reporting period. ORPP staff continue to monitor drought conditions and will consider possible revisions to the conservation regulations at a workshop on April 20th. No action will be taken at the April 20th workshop, but input from the workshop will be used to develop staff recommendations for Board action in May. ORPP staff have also been working with Department of Water Resources staff for development of long term conservation strategies and actions.

# **Appendix A**

# Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program Monthly Report March 2016

#### **STATE WATER BOARD:**

In the month of March, Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program (ILRP) staff participated in various meetings with outside groups such as the California Association of Pest Advisers/Certified Crop Advisers (CCA), the CCA Board of Directors, the California Agricultural Partnership Forum, and the San Joaquin Resource Conservation District to discuss nutrient management, demonstration projects, and healthy soils. In addition, ILRP staff met with the Governor's Office of Planning and Research and Office of Business and Economic Development to discuss potential Biochar research and projects in the Sierra Nevada region.

#### **REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARDS:**

This month's ILRP report provides updates on significant activities of the North Coast, San Francisco Bay, Central Coast, Los Angeles, Colorado River Basin, Santa Ana, and San Diego Water Board ILRPs through March 2016. The Lahontan Water Board did not report significant updates for this reporting period. Future monthly reports will alternately present status of the Central Valley Water Board ILRP one month, and the other Regional Water Board ILRPs the alternate month. For more information, visit <a href="http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water">http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water</a> issues/programs/agriculture/

As of March 10, 2016 the North Coast Water Board had a total of 263 entities enrolled in the conditional waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) for discharges from marijuana cultivation and associated activities. One third of these enrollees were enrolled through two approved third party programs.

On March 15, 2016 San Francisco Bay Water Board staff released draft General WDRs and a draft mitigated negative declaration for confined animal facilities. The public comment period closes on April 29. Regional board staff anticipates the release of a draft Environmental Impact Report and WDRs for the Vineyard Program in May 2016. These WDRs would implement the Napa River and Sonoma Creek sediment total maximum daily loads. In addition, regional board staff is implementing two conditional waivers of WDRs for grazing operations in the Napa River, Sonoma Creek, and Tomales Bay watersheds.

On March 18, 2016 Central Coast Water Board staff presented a summary of groundwater monitoring data (covering compliance, data results, and exceedances) and a summary of total nitrogen applied data (collected for Tier 2 and Tier 3 ranches for the past two years) to the Central Coast Water Board.

In February 2016, Los Angeles Water Board staff worked with the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) to enroll all LADWP tenants who operate irrigated agricultural lands in a conditional waiver of WDRs. As a result of this partnership with LADWP, enrollment in Los Angeles County increased by 30 percent. Also, regional board staff released a notice of public hearing and opportunity to comment on a draft conditional waiver of WDRs. This is a renewal of a conditional waiver (Order No. R4-2015-0202) expiring on April 15, 2016.

The Colorado River Basin Water Board adopted Special Board Order No. R7-2016-0010 on January 14, 2016, to provide the Imperial Irrigation District-Imperial County Farm Bureau Coalition an additional six months to restructure their outreach and education programs, membership requirements, and billing system for the coalition and submit its proposed compliance program plan to comply with the conditional waiver. On March 4, 2016, staff sent letters to approximately 300 Coachella Valley water account holders notifying them of the need to take action to comply with the conditional waiver of WDRs (Order No. R7-2014-0046).

Santa Ana Water Board staff anticipates that the Board will consider a conditional waiver of WDRs for agricultural operations in the San Jacinto River Watershed (Tentative Order No. R8-2016-0003). There are approximately 59,000 acres of agriculturally zoned land and up to 185 potentially eligible enrollees in the San Jacinto Watershed.

On April 15, 2016, San Diego Water Board staff has scheduled a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) scoping meeting for the draft CEQA documentation that will accompany Tentative General WDRs for discharges from commercial agricultural operations currently under development.

# **APPENDIX B**Statewide Policies and General Permits Table

### Status Code Key:

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White = Active effort (A)
Green = Targeted for completion in 2014 (A-14)
Orange = Targeted for completion in 2015 (A-15)
Light Green = Targeted for completion in 2016 (A-16)
Lavender = Targeted for completion in 2017 (A-17)
Pink = Targeted for completion in 2018 (A-18)
Blue = Completed 2016 - 2010 (C2016 - C2010)
Gray = Suspended or No statewide effort at this time or Pending (P)
Note: * indicates Board Priority

# State Board (SB)

Status Code	Policy/Significant General Permit	Last Updated / Status	Statewide / Regional Project	Org. Lead	Target Release Public Comment	Target Board Meeting Date
*A-16	Wetland Area Protection and Dredge and Fill Permitting Policy - Phase I	2016-03-23 State Water Board staff is preparing a draft wetland area protection and dredge fill permitting policy. This includes the draft policy language and the accompanying draft Substitute Environmental Document (SED). Staff expects to release the proposed policy and SED for public comments May 2016. Target Board meeting date for consideration of adoption is October 2016.	Statewide	SB	May-2016	Oct-2016
A-16	2014 Integrated Report Adoption	2016-04-05 State Water Board Staff completed lines of evidence for Regional Board review for Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board, and San Diego Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board. All three Regions are making listing decisions for their Regional Integrated Reports. Once those Regional Integrated Reports are approved, State Water Board staff will evaluate recommendations pursuant to the Listing Policy and compile the California Integrated Report. The 303(d) List portion of the	Statewide	SB	2017-01-01	2017-04-18

Status Code ▼	Policy/Significant General Permit	Last Updated / Status	Statewide / Regional Project	Org. Lead	Target Release Public Comment	Target Board Meeting Date
		California Integrated Report will be released for public comment. U.S. EPA makes the final approval decision on the 303(d) List portion of the California Integrated Report. The San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board and Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board are developing the 2016 Integrated Report. Regions 3, 5 and 9 are behind schedule and have updated their target Regional Board meeting date, currently it is expected that Regions 3 and 9 will take their Regional Integrated Reports to a Regional Hearing in September 2016. Region 5 has a target hearing date of December 2016. These delays will consequently push back State and USEPA approval of the 2014 Integrated Report and the start of the 2016 Integrated Report.				
A-16	Bacteria Standards for Ocean and Inland Surface Waters	2016-04-04 The State Water Board is developing proposed statewide bacteria water quality objectives and a proposed control program to protect human health in waters designated for water contact recreation (REC-1) from the effects of pathogens. The bacteria objectives are proposed to be adopted as amendments to the Statewide Inland Surface Waters, Enclosed Bays and Estuaries Plan and the California Ocean Plan. Staff is preparing the Staff Report. Staff plans to release draft documents for public review and comment in July of 2016. State Board Web site: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/bacterialobjectives/	Statewide	SB	2016-07-22	2016-12-20
A-16	Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Regulations	2016-04-05 Division of Drinking Water staff have drafted updated regulations governing the accreditation of laboratories under the Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program (ELAP). The updated regulations clarify the roles of State Water Board lab auditors and the laboratories to ensure efficient, effective, and flexible implementation of ELAP. The draft regulations are under internal review and staff anticipate compiling the final regulation package in the first half of 2015 and initiate the rule-making process in the second half of 2015.	Statewide	SB		
A-16	Nonpoint Source (NPS) Implementation and Enforcement Policy Amendments	2016-03-30 The NPS Implementation and Enforcement Policy (NPS Policy) is being updated as directed by Resolution 2012-0004 to reflect the current funding mechanisms for State Water Board and Regional Water Quality Control Board regulation of nonpoint source wastewater discharges. Staff anticipates releasing a draft of the NPS Policy amendments in late May 2016.	Statewide	SB	2016-05-31	2016-06-21

Status Code	Policy/Significant General Permit	Last Updated / Status	Statewide / Regional Project	Org. Lead	Target Release Public Comment	Target Board Meeting Date
A-16	Once-Through Cooling Policy - Nuclear Review Special Studies	2016-03-30 On November 18, 2014, the State Water Board heard a presentation on a study that assessed alternative technologies for Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant to comply with the Once-Through Cooling Policy (OTC Policy). An information item will be taken to the board in late 2016.	Statewide	SB		
A-16	Petition Order for Central Valley Regional Board's Eastern San Joaquin Agricultural Order	2016-03-30 On February 8th, 2016, the State Water Board released a proposed order, SWRCB/OCC File A-2239(a)-(c), in response to petitions for review of the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board's Eastern San Joaquin Agricultural Order. A Board workshop has been scheduled for May 4, 2016 at the Cal/EPA Building. The State Water Board expects to extend the written public comment period deadline to approximately two weeks after the May 4th Board workshop. The State Water Board will additionally schedule a second Board workshop to be held in Fresno, final date and location will be announced once finalized.	Statewide	SB	2016-02-08	2016-05-04
A-16	Phase I update of the Bay- Delta Plan: San Joaquin River flows and southern Delta salinity	2016-04-05 The Draft Substitute Environmental Document (SED) was released on December 31, 2012 for public comment. Hearing to receive comments on the SED was held on March 20-21, 2013, and comments were received by March 29, 2013. Revised Draft SED to be recirculated for public comment in spring of 2016. Draft plan amendment to be brought to the Board for consideration by fall of 2016.	Statewide	SB	Spring 2016	Fall 2016
A-16	Phase II Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit Amendment	2016-03-30 State Water Board staff is working with Regional Water Board staff to develop the proposed amendment to Attachment G (titled Region-specific Total Maximum Daily Loads Implementation Requirements) of the existing Small MS4 Permit to include TMDL implementation requirements. State Water Board staff is preparing a draft permit amendment with input from Regional Water Board, stakeholder, and OCC. Staff is reviewing applicable Regional Board TMDLs for additional information to include within Attachment G and the Fact Sheet.	Statewide	SB	2016-05-16	2016-10-18
A-16	SB 83, Section 45 - Produced Water Pond Report	2016-03-01 State Water Board posted on its website a status report on the regulation of oil field produced water ponds within each region on January 30, 2016. Produced water is water extracted during oil production. The report included a tally of produced water ponds statewide by region, the number of permitted and unpermitted ponds, enforcement actions taken, and the status of permitting the unpermitted sites. The report will be updated by July 30, 2016 and every six months thereafter.	Statewide	SB	2016-01-30	

Status Code	Policy/Significant General Permit	Last Updated / Status	Statewide / Regional Project	Org. Lead	Target Release Public Comment	Target Board Meeting Date
A-16	Statewide General Permit for Discharges from Hydrostatic Testing and Site Dewatering of Natural Gas Facilities	2016-03-23 State Water Board staff is working with stakeholders to develop a statewide general order to regulate discharges from hydrostatic testing and site dewatering activities of natural gas facilities. The proposed order will contain surface water discharge and land discharge requirements. Staff anticipates posting the draft permit, California Environmental Quality Act document, and a resolution to approve the California Environmental Quality Act document in late Spring 2016 for a 30-day public comment period, after preliminary permit development discussions with all interested parties. Staff anticipates presenting these items to the State Water Board for consideration of adoption in September 2016.	Statewide	SB	2016-05-03	2016-09-06
A-16	Statewide General Waste Discharge Requirements Order for Wineries	2016-04-04 State Water Board staff have prepared a concept paper for developing a statewide general order for wineries. A draft requirements matrix is in preparation with stakeholders. Initial meeting with wine industry representatives completed.	Statewide	SB	July 2016	September 2016
A-16	Storm Water - Industrial General Permit Reissuance Implementation	2016-03-30 State Water Board staff sent Notice of Non-Compliance letters to dischargers in Regions 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, and 9 that failed to enroll under the new Industrial Storm Water General Permit Order 2014-0057-DWQ. In accordance with Section 13383 of the California Water Code, the notice allows dischargers 60 days to comply by either enrolling or demonstrating that enrollment is no longer applicable to their industrial operation. State Water Board staff are taking calls and emails in response to the notices and following up with individual dischargers as necessary. Regional Water Boards are following-up with the appropriate enforcement for dischargers who have not appropriately addressed the requirements of the Notice of Non-Compliance.	Statewide	SB		
A-16	Surface Water Augmentation with Recycled Water Regulations	2016-03-23 Division of Drinking Water staff are currently drafting criteria (regulations) for use of recycled water to augment surface water reservoirs used for drinking water supplies. As required by Water Code sections 13562 and 13565, an Expert Panel has been assembled to review the criteria and to ultimately make a finding that the criteria are protective of public health. The Expert Panel has reviewed the draft criteria and the criteria has been submitted for completion of the peer review process required via H&SC section 57004.	Statewide	SB		

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A-16	Toxicity Amendments to the Inland Surface Waters, Enclosed Bays, and Estuaries Plan	2016-03-11 Staff prepared draft toxicity amendments and a staff report. Staff released the draft documents for public review and received comments in summer 2012. Those comments are currently under review. Considering these comments and the Water Board's mandates, staff is preparing a revised draft staff report and environmental document. Once the draft documents are revised, staff will initiate additional stakeholder outreach and circulate the draft documents for public review. Staff expects to release the draft documents in July 2016.	Statewide	SB	July 2016	
A-16	Underground Storage Tank Electronic Reporting	2016-03-16 State Water Board staff is preparing a formal rulemaking package which updates the California Code of Regulations, title 23 to require electronic reporting of data from the underground storage tank regulated community to the certified unified program agency (CUPA), and from the CUPA to the state. These regulations are consistent with Health and Safety Code section 25404(e)(4) requiring the submission of Unified Program data electronically through the California Environmental Reporting System (CERS). The proposed regulatory changes to title 23 will bring the regulations in-line with statutory requirements. No new requirements are being introduced in this update other than requiring submission of data electronically instead of on paper. Staff will initiate the formal rule making process this fall and present it to the Board for adoption in June 2016. The regulation package for Notice was submitted to the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) on 3/10/16. Anticipated start date of the public comment period is 3/25/16 with an end date of May 10 at noon.	Statewide	SB	March 25, 2016	June 25, 2016
A-16	Water Recycling Requirements for Recycled Water Use	2016-04-04 This statewide general order is intended to replace General Waste Discharge Requirements for the use of Recycled Water (2014-0090-DWQ). This general order recognize recycled water as a resource and further streamline permitting of recycled water projects. Recycled water covered under this General Order is primarily treated municipal wastewater. The scope of the general order otherwise remain the same, the general order will be used to streamline permitting non-potable recycled water projects. Potable reuse projects are not eligible for permitting under this general order. Staff posted the draft permit for public comment on January 21, 2016. The public comment period ended on February 22, 2016. Staff received a total of 39 comment letters. Staff is working on response to comments. A separate 30-day public comment period will be scheduled in late April 2016 to address transition of existing enrollees under other Regional Board recycled water use orders. Tentatively, board adoption is scheduled for August 2016.	Statewide	SB	2016-04-21	2016-08-02

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*A-17	Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for 1,2,3- Trichloropropane (1,2,3- TCP)	2016-03-23 Division of Drinking Water staff is in the process of drafting the regulation and is working on the CEQA analysis, developing the Standardized Regulatory Impact Assessment (Major Regulation, and initiating the external scientific peer review process. Prior to proposing an MCL for 1,2,3-TCP, staff plans on holding workshops which will be followed by a public meeting to present the proposed MCL to the public for comment. The MCL is anticipated to be adopted in the spring of 2017.	Statewide	SB		
*A-17	Sediment Quality Objectives (SQOs) for Enclosed Bays and Estuaries: Phase II*	2016-03-01 Water Board staff is developing a methodology to implement and assess sediment quality in relation to the narrative human health SQO that protects human consumers from contaminants that bioaccumulate from the sediment into fish tissue. Staff is using the Los Angeles Long Beach Harbors TMDL as a case study to address many of the issues associated with the human health implementation framework as well as addressing other questions related to the application of SQOs as TMDL targets. Several groups and committees, including the SQO Advisory Committee, the Agency Coordination Committee, and the Harbor Technical Work Group (HTWG), are collaborating on studies that will assist in the development, testing, and implementation of Phase II SQOs. Staff presented an information item to the State Board on October 7, 2015. The SQO's are under development. Staff anticipates that the case study and test drive will be completed by late next year followed by release of draft documents in February 2017.	Statewide	SB	2017-02-17	2017-05-17
A-17	Biological Integrity Plan Development	2016-03-23 State Water Board staff is developing a proposed Implementation Plan for Assessing Biological Integrity of perennial freshwater streams. The goal is to set biological expectations to ensure protection and restoration of aquatic life beneficial uses in these waterbodies and to incorporate additional bioassessment monitoring and assessment into the Water Boards regulatory programs. Staff is revising the existing draft Biological Integrity Plan based on the feedback from stakeholders and advisory groups. Staff is working on an outreach document for Focus Groups that should be ready for management review in May 2016.	Statewide	SB	2016-09-01	

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A-17	Blue Green Algae Action Levels	2016-03-01 State Water Board staff is working with a multi-agency workgroup consisting of the Water Boards, California Department of Public Health, Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, and United States Environmental Protection Agency, to update the Draft Voluntary Guidance Document for California CyanoHABs (CCHABs) related to monitoring and posting public notices of warning or closure. Staff is also coordinating with the Monitoring Council on issues related to CCHABs.	Statewide	SB		NA
A-17	Mercury TMDL and Water Quality Objectives (Reservoirs)	2016-04-06 Staff from Regional Water Boards 2, 5, and State Water Board are developing a TMDL and implementation plan to address fish mercury impairments in about 150 reservoirs around the state. Staff is preparing the scientific and technical analysis (source analysis, linkage, targets, allocations, and implementation plan options), and regulatory provisions for the objectives and implementation plan. Staff is preparing the draft staff report and planning reservoir outreach meetings.	Statewide	R5	2016-12-01	2017-04-01
A-17	Mercury Water Quality Objectives & Implementation	2016-03-23 In coordination with the Reservoir Mercury TMDL team, staff is preparing mercury water quality objectives and a plan of implementation. Focus group meetings began in June 2014 and continued through October 2014. The draft staff report and the draft regulatory language are expected to be sent for peer review on May 1, 2016.	Statewide	SB	2016-09-01	2017-03-01
A-17	Nutrient Numeric Endpoints Tools	2016-03-23 Staff is working with technical advisory groups to produce an implementation strategy document. U.S. EPA contracted to have the nutrient numeric endpoint protocol updated based on case studies. In 2014, staff organized a Stakeholder Advisory Group, a Science Panel, and expanded a Regulatory Advisory Group for the nutrients in wadeable streams project. The Science Panel met at a Southern California Coastal Watershed Research Project meeting in June 2015 to review the Science Plan. The Science Panel was generally supportive of the Science Plan. A written report from the Science Panel was received in July 2015. Webinars were held for stakeholders on August 21 and 26, 2015 to discuss the results of modeling approaches. Staff plans to continue outreach efforts by having Focus Group meetings from February 2016 to July 2016. An outreach document is available for public review at the State Water Board's website on the nutrient objectives webpage. Southern California Coastal Water Research Project (SCCWRP) staff are still researching and developing the biological condition gradient model that will be used in the assessment of the effects of nutrients on stream biological conditions. Scientific Peer Review (Public Release) is anticipated for late 2017.	Statewide	SB	2017-10-01	2018-10-06

Status Code	Policy/Significant General Permit	Last Updated / Status	Statewide / Regional Project	Org. Lead	Target Release Public Comment	Target Board Meeting Date
A-17	Phase II update of the Bay-Delta Plan: Comprehensive Review	2016-03-03 State Water Board staff is in the process of a phased review and update of the 2006 Water Quality Control Plan for the Bay-Delta (2006 Bay-Delta Plan). The second phase of the review focuses on the following issues: (1) Delta outflow objectives, (2) export/inflow objectives, (3) Delta Cross Channel Gate closure objectives, (4) Suisun Marsh objectives; (5) potential new reverse flow objectives for Old and Middle Rivers; (6) potential new floodplain habitat flow objectives; (7) potential changes to the monitoring and special studies program, and (8) other potential changes to the program of implementation. Staff is preparing a Scientific Basis Report that will provide the underlying scientific support for proposed flow and water quality objectives. The Report will consider recommendations provided in the Delta Science Program's Workshops Panel Summary Reports on Delta Outflows and Related Stressors (May 2014) and Interior Delta Flows and Related Stressors (July 2014). The Scientific Basis Report is expected to be released for public review in spring 2016. Staff is also developing a Substitute Environmental Document that will provide an evaluation of the potential environmental impacts of the proposed changes to the Bay-Delta Plan. This document is expected to be released for public review in 2017.	Statewide	SB	2017	TBD
A-17	Recycled Water Policy Update	2016-03-30 State Water Board staff will be developing a project charter and timeline for the next update of the Recycled Water Policy	Statewide	SB		
*A	Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems (OWTS) Policy Implementation	2016-03-23 The Local Agency Management Plan (LAMP) Guidance document was transmitted to the Regional Water Boards on June 4, 2015. All of the Regional Water Boards have amended their Basin Plans to implement the OWTS Policy. The State Water Board approved the amendments for Regions 1 through 9. State and Regional Water Board staff have been meeting with local agencies to facilitate LAMP development.	Statewide	SB	N/A	N/A
*A	Russian River Frost Protection Regulation	2016-03-17 The State Water Board began a phased implementation of the Russian River Frost Regulation for the 2015 frost season. In February of 2015, the Division approved three major Initial Water Demand Management Plans (WDMPs) and two individual WDMPs. The Governing Bodies for these WDMPs submitted their first Annual Reports in September 2015 and submitted updated frost protection system inventories and schedules for consultation with fisheries agencies in February 2016. The Division notified the Governing Bodies in February of 2016 that the WDMPs remain in compliance with the Regulation for the 2016 frost season (March 15 to May 15). The second Annual Reports are due September 1, 2016.	Statewide	SB		

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A	Antidegradation Policy	2016-03-30 The State Water Board issued a draft scoping document and held follow-up focused stakeholder meetings in June and July 2015. Comments from these meetings are summarized and posted on the program website. State Water Board staff is not actively working on a statewide policy for implementation of the Antidegradation Policy for discharges to groundwater. The draft Eastern San Joaquin River Watershed Agricultural Order addresses some of the larger issues the stakeholders identified during staff's outreach efforts. Staff and executive management will consider what additional guidance or regulatory action is necessary after the State Water Board issues a final order in the East San Joaquin matter.	Statewide	SB		
A	Cadmium Objective and Hardness Implementation Policy	2016-04-04 In response to a Jeopardy Biological Opinion by the National Marine Fisheries Service on U.S. EPA's 304(a) recommended acute aquatic life cadmium criterion in the state of Oregon, U.S. EPA's Office of Water is updating its national cadmium criteria. This action will be a priority for once the revised criteria are issued.	Statewide	SB	2019-06-30	2019-10-30
A	Chlorine Amendment	2015-11-19 The draft Total Residual Chlorine and Chlorine-Produced Oxidants Policy of California is being converted into an amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for Inland Surface Waters, Enclosed Bays, and Estuaries of California. This action is a priority for U.S. EPA.	Statewide	SB	TBD	TBD
A	Natural Sources	2015-12-03 A draft natural source issue paper has been submitted to the Basin Planning Roundtable for review and comment. Issues include recommendations for making designations where natural background exceeds the water quality objectives. The Regional Board staff and U.S. EPA agreed that additional work was needed to define a "Natural" source.	Statewide	SB	TBD	TBD
A	Phase II Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit Amendment	2016-03-30 An Amendment to the Traditional Small MS4 Designation and Monitoring Matrix, Attachment A of the Small MS4 Statewide General Permit, is proposed to correct processing errors and rescind Traditional Small MS4s that are permitted under the North Coast Regional Water Board 2015 Phase 1 Permit. The proposed amendment will be presented to the Executive Director for approval in June 2016.	Statewide	SB	2016-03-21	2016-06-24

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A	Storm Water - Statewide Construction General Permit Reissuance	2016-03-22 State Water Board staff is planning to prepare a draft permit for the reissuance of the existing Construction General Storm Water Permit, also referred to as the CGP. The CGP reissuance will include proposed implementation of Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs). State Water Board staff is allowing TMDL implementation issues to be resolved through the State Water Board's consideration of TMDLs implementation in the existing Industrial General Storm Water Permit prior to proceeding with consideration of the CGP reissuance.	Statewide	SB	TBD	TBD
A	Storm Water Industrial General Permit Amendment for TMDL Implementation	2016-03-23 State Water Board staff is developing TMDL implementation language for the Storm Water Industrial General Permit in collaboration with the Regional Water Boards that have adopted TMDLs that include industrial storm water discharges as a source (Regions: San Francisco Bay, Los Angeles, Santa Ana, and San Diego regions). The Regional Water Boards will publicly notice the draft TMDL language in late 2016.	Statewide	SB	2016-06-30	TBD
A	Suction Dredge Mining Activity	2016-03-01 Senate Bill 637 updated the Water Code and Fish and Game Code to allow issuance of permits for suction dredge mining if certain conditions are certified by the Department of Fish and Wildlife and if permits are issued by the Department of Fish and Wildlife, but only once a permit is issued by the State Water Board. Accordingly, the State Water Board may resume the effort to develop a statewide general permit or other regulatory framework. Senate Bill 637 first requires Water Boards staff to conduct stakeholder outreach in areas where Department of Fish and Wildlife suction dredge mining permits were issued before the moratorium was imposed. Water Boards staff is consulting with the Department of Fish and Wildlife to determine next steps.	Statewide	SB		
Р	Water Effects Ratios	2016-03-15 The project will help develop criteria for developing site specific objectives for metals based on the water effect ratios for a specific water body. Staff will prepare a proposed Water Effects Ratio Policy at a future date.	Statewide	SB	TBD	TBD

# Regions

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A	Update Groundwater Policies (Phase II)	2015-10-20 Adopted Basin Plan Amendment (BPA) in June 2014 revising region's onsite waste and disposal policy to incorporate the State Water Board's newly adopted OWTS Policy. Scope additional Basin Plan revisions in Oct-Dec 2015.Hold BPA scoping meeting(s) in Jan 2016. Release Draft staff report and BPA in October 2016. Hold board hearing for BPA in June 2017. Groundwater Protection Strategy and Basin Plan Amendment (Phase 2) — Phase 2 incorporates the Recycled Water Policy, and establishes a policy for the discharge of waste to land including a programmatic framework for assessing and controlling salt and nutrient contamination of groundwater from recycled water. This amendment is in the early stages. The North Coast Regional office has completed a strategic planning exercise in which several cross-program working groups were established. One of the projects of the Groundwater Workgroup will be the development of a Groundwater Protection Strategy, including basin plan amendment language. Planning staff resources will be diverted to Phase 2 once Phase 1 is through the state's approval process.	Regional	R1
A	Laguna de Santa Rosa TMDL	2015-10-23 2015-10-20 Staff provided an update to the board in August 2015. Project schedule is being reconsidered to account for: 1) increased stakeholder participation in TMDL development, 2) designation of the Laguna as a priority watershed under EPA's new TMDL Vision, and 3) increased staff time dedicated to early implementation efforts, including nutrient credit trading program development, Proposition 1 grant application support, and NPDES permit renewal support. Restoration of the Laguna's impaired beneficial uses will require substantial ecosystem rehabilitation in addition to traditional TMDL load reduction strategies.	Regional	R1
A	Shasta River - Watershed Stewardship Approach - Pilot Project	2015-10-23 At the direction of the Regional Water Board, staff is working with Shasta Valley RCD to build the watershed stewardship approach framework in the Shasta River watershed. The Shasta River is one of five Watershed Stewardship Approach pilot watersheds included as part of the region's 2014 NPS 6-Year Plan Objective 4. The program will support TMDL implementation and other environmental objectives of participating partners. The approach will include spring rehabilitation projects, tailwater return flow control, and other general stewardship related projects. The approach includes a status and trends monitoring program and development of the Klamath Tracking and Accounting program to better document historical and planned water quality improvement projects. Shasta Stewardship Report to be released to review by watershed partners in July 2015.	Regional	R1

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A	Upper Klamath Basin - Watershed Stewardship Approach Pilot Project	2016-01-05 At the direction of the Regional Water Board, staff is working with several organizations including the California State Coastal Conservancy, Klamath Tribes, Klamath Basin Rangeland Trust, US Bureau of Reclamation, Klamath Watershed Partnership, among others to build the watershed stewardship approach framework in the Upper Klamath Basin. The Upper Klamath Basin is one of five Watershed Stewardship Approach pilot watersheds included as part of the Region's 2014 NPS 6-Year Plan Objective 4. The initiative will include building several diffuse source treatment wetlands, documentation of partnerships and accomplishments in a watershed stewardship report, development of the Klamath Tracking and Accounting Program for the northern portion of the Klamath Basin.	Regional	R1
A-15	Russian River Watershed Pathogen Indicator Bacteria TMDL	2015-10-20 Staff released the public review draft in August 2015. Staff held three staff-led workshops in September 2015 to solicit public input on the draft TMDL Staff Report and draft Basin Plan Amendment. The public review period closed on October 8, 2015. Staff is in the process of reviewing and responding to public comments on the draft documents. The Board adoption hearing is scheduled for November 2015.	Regional	R1
A-16	Agricultural Lands Discharge Program	2016-04-06 On January 29, 2015, Staff provided an update to the Board on the development of the Tule Lake Basin, Lily Bulb Cultivation, Vineyard and Orchard permits and grazing regulatory action program. Staff continues to work on these permits specific to agricultural commodities or geographic areas. Staff is currently focused on the Tule Lake permit and is working with stakeholders to develop a draft permit and CEQA documentation. The other permits will follow after Tule Lake permit adoption. Staff concluded monitoring in the lily bulb cultivation area in June 2015.	Regional	R1
A-16	Humboldt Redwood Company Upper Elk River Timber Harvest WDR	2015-10-20 A Board Workshop for a draft WDR is scheduled for November 19, 2015 and an adoption hearing is scheduled for March 9-10, 2016.	Regional	R1
A-16	Elk River Sediment TMDL	2016-04-06 A Board Workshop on the TMDL is scheduled for November 2015. The Regional Water Board has identified a TMDL implementation framework for the Upper Elk River which consists of: 1) revised regulatory programs, 2) instream and channel remediation and restoration, and 3) a watershed Stewardship Program.	Regional	R1
А	R2-2015-031- Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Existing Dairies	2016-02-22 Board adopted Waiver of WDRs on June 9, 2015	Regional	R2
A-16	Reissuance of Confined Animal Facility Waiver/WDRs	2016-04-05 Existing Dairy Waiver of WDRs adopted by Region 2 Board in June 2015 Currently working on General WDRs for Confined Animal Facilities (CAFs) to include future dairies as well as horse and other confined animal operations. Anticipate public comment in Spring 2016 with Board adoption by July 2016.	Regional	R2
A-16	General Waste Discharge Requirements for Vineyard Properties in the Napa River and Sonoma Creek watersheds	2016-04-05 Region 2 is in the process of developing WDRs for vineyard discharges, which requires preparation of an EIR. Anticipate completion of a draft EIR and draft Tentative Order (WDRs) for public comment in 2016.	Regional	R2

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*A-17	NPDES Phase I Municipal Storm Water Permit Reissue	2016-02-22 2017-05-03. Reissue Order No. R3-2012-0005 NPDES Permit No. CA0049981 WDRs for City of Salinas Municipal Storm Water Discharges, Monterey County	Regional	R3
А	Integrated Management of Watershed Processes Basin Plan Amendment	2016-02-22 Preliminary workplan drafted; convening internal team to obtain staff and stakeholder input.	Regional	R3
A	Salinas River Stream Maintenance Program	2016-02-22 Application received for Water Quality Certification for this maintenance program on 92 miles of the Salinas River.	Regional	R3
A-16	Conditional Waiver of WDRs for Disaster Related Emergency Waste Handling and Disposal, Order No. R3-2016-0001	2016-03-30 The waiver, which is similar to ones adopted in other regions, has been drafted and is scheduled for public hearing on May 12, 2016.	Regional	R3
A-17	General Order/Waiver for fruit/vegetable processors	2016-02-23 Re-drafting of existing GO/waiver for fruit/vegetable processors	Regional	R3
A-17	Identify at-risk nitrate contaminated domestic and small system well users and similar in disadvantaged communities (DAC), notify them, and communicate options available to them. (Nitrate loading/source reduction for long term solution continues on many fronts - notably Ag, septic systems, and municipal treatment plants)	2016-02-19 Provided free domestic well sampling to 90 wells/households in 2012/2013 through USGS in Salinas and Pajaro Valley areas in conjunction with GAMA Priority Basin Project. Provided results to participants with additional info and resources. Contract approved October 2015 (agreement # 15-015-130) for field sampling, analytical testing and data management portion of region-wide domestic well sampling project (\$219,400 CAA funds); currently in the process of reviewing and finalizing QAPP, and attempting to fill DAC focused outreach and education void. Accompanying and separately funded(FY 14/15 discretionary funds)DAC focused outreach and education portion of the project has been unable to get off of the ground do to administrative difficulties associated with the development and processing of CRF packages and applying discretionary funds to projects with durations of more than a couple of months, among other problems. Ongoing coordination with EJ groups to identify DACs and disadvantaged individuals, and their drinking water issues/needs. Sent letter to all County Public Health Officers in 2010 with additional testing and notification recommendations for affected well users. Ongoing follow-up and communication with county level drinking water and well permitting programs. Mapped out 970 local small and state small water systems (by parcels served; well locations unknown) in Monterey County with respect to nitrate concentration (see R3 CCAMP-GAP website). Compiled and evaluated nitrate data for 1,627 domestic wells sampled since 2010 (see July 31-August 1, 2014 R3 Board Meeting agenda, Item No. 11). Following up with county officials regarding nitrate data per Board direction. Board allocated \$119K in settlement funds for two projects focused on providing safe drinking water to DACs and limited resource farmers in R3. R3 staff working with Greater Monterey County IRWM RMG as TAC member for Salinas Valley DAC Drinking Water and Sanitation Needs Assessment (funded as directed by the Budget Act of 2014 [AB 1	Regional	R3

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		term solutions. Counties also generally lack capacity or are not willing to support EJ/DAC related efforts. Comprehensive statewide DAC drinking water and sanitation needs assessment required to clearly define extent of problem, potential solutions and associated costs. DACs lack basic institutional capacity and legal status to qualify and apply for limited available funding and to implement and maintain projects. Existing DAC and sDAC MHI criteria at census block/track scale is not sufficient to clearly identify DACs.		
A-17	ILRP Order Extension	2016-02-19 Current ILRP waiver expires in March 2017. Board will likely extend waiver and wait to make significant changes until after East San Joaquin River Watershed petition and litigation over current order are resolved.	Regional	R3
A-16	Conditional Waiver to implement TMDL load allocations assigned to nonpoint sources of trash	2015-08-13 To be adopted by June 2016 to implement load allocations for trash assigned to nonpoint sources.	Regional	R4
A-16	Conditional Waiver for horse and intensive livestock facilities	2015-08-13 To be adopted by June 2016 in order to implement the Ventura River Algae TMDL	Regional	R4
P	General NPDES Permit for Discharges of Groundwater from Potable Water Supply Wells to Surface Waters in Coastal Watersheds of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties	2016-02-19 On Nov. 18, 2014 the Statewide Drinking Water Systems General Permit was adopted. The Statewide permit is intended to replace all enrollments under the Potable Water Supply Wells general permit. Enrollees under this permit are expected to submit an NOI by Sept 1, 2015 to be enrolled in the Statewide permit; thereafter the Potable Water Supply Wells general permit will be terminated. Dischargers unable to enroll under the Statewide permit due to TMDL issues or other issues will be enrolled under other applicable general NPDES permit such as the construction dewatering general NPDES permit or individual permit.	Regional	R4
A	CV-SALTS - Developing a Salinity and Nitrate Management Plan for all basins in the Central Valley - Basin Plan Amendment for the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River Basin Plan, Tulare Lake Basin Plan and the Delta Water Quality Control Plan	2016-03-25 Revised strategy and workplan to address funding constraints February 2012. Case studies evaluating appropriate beneficial uses and associated water quality objectives for AGR and MUN in surface and groundwater. Initial modeling results for salinity/nitrate source and fate and assimilative capacity completed. Implementation alternatives under evaluation. CEQA Scoping meetings completed October 2013. Draft SNMP Framework in 2014. Final SNMP in 2016. State Water Board annual report presented at 16 February 2016 Board Meeting. Central Valley Water Board workshop scheduled for 22 June 2016 with submittal of final SNMP in 2016.	Regional	R5
A	Groundwater Quality Protection Strategy	2016-03-25 At the Central Valley Water Board's September 2010 meeting Resolution #2010-0095 was adopted which approved the Groundwater Quality Protection Strategy for the Central Valley Region, A Roadmap. Progress reports on the implementation of the priority actions were provided at the June 2012, December 2013, and February 2016 Central Valley Water Board meetings. At the February 2016 Board Meeting staff presented a draft Addendum to update the Strategy. Staff will be finalizing the Addendum to incorporate Board input and will be posted by May 2016. Workplan for ongoing and new actions is under development.	Regional	R5

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A	Delta Regional Monitoring Program- RMP	2016-03-16 The Delta RMP has a monitoring design for toxicity/pesticides, pathogens, mercury, and nutrients and a workplan for FY15/16. Pathogen sampling began in April and pesticide and toxicity began in July 2015. In December 2015 the Steering Committee began discussing a process for multi-year planning and review of the overall monitoring design. In April 2016 the Steering Committee will be working on the FY16/17 monitoring plan, including nutrients.	Regional	R5
A	Revision of General Order for Existing Dairies	2016-03-24 Revision of Revised General Order R5-2013-0122 to include requirements for land application areas consistent with the Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program requirements. Will draft revisions following the issuance of the General Order for Bovine Feedlots.	Regional	R5
A	New winery waste guidelines	2016-03-25 Industry recommendations have been reviewed by CV-SALTS Management Practices Subcommittee. Currently the CV-SALTS Management Practices Subcommittee is on hold while salinity management alternatives are being evaluated.	Regional	R5
A	General Order for Bovine Feedlots	2016-03-24 General Order to regulate bovine feedlots (other than dairies - e.g., heifer facilities, calf raising facilities, beef cattle facilities). Staff met with environmental justice groups and industry. Administrative Draft has been prepared. Tentative General Order is planned for release for May 2016.	Regional	R5
A	USFS MOU for BAER activities	2016-03-28 Staff has engaged the USFS in drafting an MOU that will outline the process by which the Regional Boards may choose to participate in USFS Burned Area Emergency Response (BAER) teams. Temporarily on hold due to vacancies at the regional USFS office.	Regional	R5
A	Development of permit for Federal Non- Point Source activities on Forest Lands	2016-03-28 R5 staff is working with the USFS and the BLM to develop a waiver of WDRs to cover NPS activities with the potential to affect water quality. An EIR will be developed to address CEQA.	Regional	R5
Α	Implement Mercury TMDL/Control Program in Cache Creek Watershed - Sacramento River and San Joaquin River Basin Plan	2016-03-16 Mining waste at six mercury mines in the upper Cache Creek watershed was tentatively scheduled to be consolidated and covered in 2014 to prevent continued erosion of mercury sediment into Sulphur Creek, a tributary to Cache Creek. Permitting delays associated with review and approval of the project by the US Army Corps of Engineers has delayed the mine cleanups.	Regional	R5
A-14	Organochlorine Pesticides in the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River Basin Plan	2016-03-25 Regional Board completed CEQA Scoping meeting in July 2009. A draft summary report on OC pesticides was completed in December 2014. Final report will be completed in 2016.	Regional	R5
A-14	Central Valley Diazinon and Chlorpyrifos Basin Plan Amendment	2016-03-25 Amendment addressing chlorpyrifos and diazinon in hundreds of valley floor rivers, streams and creeks adopted by Regional Board on 28 March 2014. Approved by the State Water Board on 16 June 2015. Requires OAL and USEPA approval before becoming effective.	Regional	R5

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A-14		2016-03-25 Adopted by Central Valley Water Board on 6 June 2014. Approved by the State Water Board on 17 March 2015. Approved by the Office of Administrative Law on 19 June 2015. Requires US EPA approval before becoming effective for federal programs.	Regional	R5
A-15	for the Cities of Colusa, Willows, Live Oak and Biggs	2016-04-06 Basin Plan Amendment (BPA) to remove the MUN beneficial use from 12 constructed and/or modified Ag dominated surface water bodies in the Sacramento River Basin. This case study, conducted in coordination with CV-SALTS, is part of a larger effort to develop a process for determining appropriate beneficial uses and level of protection in Ag dominated surface water bodies region-wide. CEQA Scoping completed Oct/Nov 2012. Central Valley Water Board adopted the BPA in April 2015. State Board approved the BPA on 18 August 2015. Regional Board staff submitted the administrative record to Office of Administrative Law and U.S. EPA on 3 November 2015. OAL approved the amendment on 23 December 2015. A response from U.S. EPA is still pending.	Regional	R5
A-15	expanding dairies	2016-03-24 Issue Paper has been completed. Template is being drafted and will be coordinated with the bovine feedlot general order. See General Order for Bovine Feedlots.	Regional	R5
A-15	Amendment	2016-03-25 In development. Scoping meeting held in October 2012. Scheduled for peer review draft release in early 2016, Board Hearing in 2016. Reviewing current water quality information which indicates effectiveness of Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program Management Plans.	Regional	R5
A-15	Amendment	2016-03-25 In development. Scoping meeting held in October 2012. Stakeholder meetings held in Sept-Nov 2014, May-December 2015; January 2016. Peer reviewed Summer 2015. A public review draft is scheduled to be released for public comment in early 2016. A Board workshop was held in February 2016. Additional outreach, workshop and final adoption scheduled for 2016.	Regional	R5
A-15	evaluation process for the Municipal and Domestic Supply (MUN) beneficial use in agriculturally dominated surface water bodies	2016-03-24 Conducted in coordination with CV-SALTS, this Basin Plan Amendment (BPA) is the first phase of an evaluation of the appropriate beneficial uses and level of protection in Ag dominated surface water bodies region-wide. Phase I focuses on the MUN beneficial use while Phase II will focus on other beneficial uses (timelines dependent on the results from Phase I). CEQA Scoping was completed Oct/Nov 2012. The preferred alternative for this BPA is to use a water body categorization process to categorize and designate the appropriate MUN beneficial use to different types of Ag dominated water bodies based on inherent characteristics. Under consideration is a new LIMITED-MUN beneficial use category for certain types of water bodies. A public information item on the development of the LIMITED-MUN beneficial use was conducted on 30 July 2015 at the Central Valley Water Board meeting. Regional Board staff has started to develop a draft Staff Report and is planning on bringing the amendment for consideration by the Board in the later part of 2016. Central Valley Board workshop tentatively scheduled for June 2016.	Regional	R5

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A-16	Establish New Water Quality Objectives for Salinity in the Lower San Joaquin River - Amendment to the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River Basin Plan.	2016-04-05 Regional Board completed CEQA Scoping meeting in March 2009. Development of proposed water quality criteria for inclusion in a staff report in support of a proposed BPA establishing EC WQOs has been completed in 2015 by the stakeholder driven, CV-SALTS Lower San Joaquin River sub-committee. Staff are preparing the staff report and proposed BPA. The BPA is tentatively scheduled for a workshop in June 2016 and consideration by the Regional Board in later 2016.	Regional	R5
A-16	General Order for Poultry Facilities	2016-04-05 General Order for poultry raising and egg laying facilities. Drafting of GO has begun. Information item on draft poultry order is planned for April 2016.	Regional	R5
A-16	Region-wide General Order for MS4s	2016-04-06 Permittee Working Group meetings ongoing, latest 11 January 2016. Several meetings with interested watershed group representatives in January and February 2015, and January 2016. Admin draft permit released for public comment on 11 March 2016 with comments due by 11 April 2016. Public Workshop to discuss admin draft permit scheduled for 6 April 2016 in Rancho Cordova.	Regional	R5
A-16	Implement Lower San Joaquin River Salt/Boron TMDL	2016-04-05 TMDL requires USBR and agricultural dischargers to operate under WDRs with monthly salt load allocations OR the development of MAA with USBR to mitigate salt loading to river and operation under a Central Valley Water Board approved real-time salinity management program (RTMP) for agricultural dischargers. At the 4 December 2014 Central Valley Water Board meeting, both an updated MAA with the USBR and a phased RTMP were approved through Resolutions R5-2014-0150 and R5-2014-0151, respectively. Salt load allocations have also been incorporated into appropriate Ag Coalition WDRs with option to participate in Board approved RTMP. USBR FY15/16 Annual Workplan to address salt loading accepted by EO on 24 September 2015, with a request for an Addendum by 31 October 2015. USBR submitted a letter to extend the deadline of the addendum to 30 November 2015. The addendum from USBR was received by the Central Valley Water Board prior to that deadline. USBR also submitted an annual report update in January 2016. The Board-approved real time management program stakeholders formed a steering committee in October 2015 and plan to meet quarterly. The first meeting occurred on March 1, 2016. The steering committee requested an extension until March 31, 2016 for submittal of its first Annual Report, required by the Resolution approving the real time management program. The steering committee has applied for a DWR grant and expect an answer in July 2016. The money would be used for west side San Joaquin Valley monitoring stations on tributaries to the Lower San Joaquin River.	Regional	R5
A-16	General Order of WDR for Discharges Related to Timberland Management in the Central Valley	2016-03-28 Two public meetings were held to discuss changes to the current Timber Waiver of WDRs, this resulted in the drafting of a General Order. Two additional public meetings will be held in April to go over the working draft. Staff expects to take a final proposal to the board in the summer/fall of 2016.	Regional	R5

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Р	Modify the Beneficial Uses for Freshwater Aquatic Habitat and Remove Spawning for West Squaw Creek - Amendment to the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River Basin Plan	2016-03-25 Use Attainability Analysis was conducted to demonstrate the current beneficial uses assigned to West Squaw Creek, a stream heavily impacted by acid mine drainage, are not achievable. Specifically, the stream cannot support fish and other pH or metal sensitive aquatic species and spawning of selected fish species defined in the Basin Plan. A Staff Report including the proposed amendments and CEQA functional equivalent document was presented to the Regional Board on 9 July 2004. The Regional Board adopted Resolution R5-2004-0090 which included the UAA, Staff Report, Functional Equivalent Document and proposed amendments. BPA not approved by State Board. Staff gathering additional information to respond to State Board and USEPA comments. Expected completion date 2016.	Regional	R5
Р	New Manual of Good Practice for Land Application of Food Processing/Rinse Water	2016-03-25 Industry recommendations have been reviewed by CV-SALTS Management Practices Subcommittee. Currently the CV-SALTS Management Practices Subcommittee is on hold while salinity management alternatives are being evaluated.	Regional	R5
A-16	Renew Waiver of filing a report of waste discharge and waste discharge requirements consistent with the established Memorandum of Understanding with the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency regarding construction and new development in the Lake Tahoe Basin	2016-03-21 Staff will draft a new resolution updating the Waiver while maintaining the current Memorandum of Understanding	Regional	R6
Р	Basin Plan Amendment to lift pier prohibition in spawning habitat and address shorezone impacts at Lake Tahoe	2016-03-22 On hold. TRPA is leading the environmental documentation process, which involves the Shoreline Strategic Initiative Collaborative Planning Process. Lahontan Water Board will be Lead agency under CEQA and will prepare a Basin Plan Amendment. Anticipated Water Board adoption not likely in 2016, and may be extended into 2017 or beyond.	Regional	R6
A-15	Orange County MS4 Permit Renewal	2016-01-19 A draft permit was released for public comments on May 2, 2014. Board workshop conducted on June 13, 2014 and January 30, 2015. Regional Board consideration of the draft permit expected during mid-2016.	Regional	R8
A-15	Upper Santa Ana River MS4 Permit(s)	2016-01-19 Report of Waste Discharge submitted in July 2014. Draft MS4 Permit in mid-2016 and Board consideration by end of 2016.	Regional	R8
A-15	Conditional waiver for agricultural waste discharges (CWAD) program in the San Jacinto River Watershed	2016-01-19 Information meetings held November 2009 and April 2010. A public workshop was conducted at the June 19, 2014 Board meeting. Regional Board consideration currently planned for early 2016.	Regional	R8

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A-15	Basin Plan Amendment to adopt TMDLs and establish Site-Specific Objectives for selenium in San Diego Creek, Big Canyon Creek, and Upper Newport Bay that includes compliance requirements for the Newport Bay watershed permits.	2016-01-19 Adoption of selenium TMDLs planned for the second half of 2016. The TMDLs will likely require additional peer review due to proposed fish and bird egg tissue-based targets. With the lack of conventional treatment technologies for selenium, the TMDLs will be particularly challenging. SSOs based on bird egg and fish tissue will be a separate Basin Plan Amendment action after adoption of the TMDLs. A workshop was conducted at the June 13, 2014 Board meeting. Selenium TMDL scheduled for the second half of 2016.	Regional	R8
A-15	Basin Plan Amendment to incorporate changes to recreation water quality standards and implementation strategies for inland fresh waters in the Region (will include additions to list of waterbodies and MUN exceptions, where appropriate)	2015-08-12 Regional Board adopted the Basin Plan amendment on June 15, 2012. State Board adopted the Basin Plan amendment on January 21, 2014. OAL approved the Basin Plan amendment on July 2, 2014. USEPA issued approval letter April 2015 followed by an August 2015 letter clarifying their approval.	Regional	R8
A-16	Newport Bay Metals TMDL	2016-01-19 Proposed revisions to Metals TMDLs for Newport Bay promulgated by USEPA include revised copper (Cu) TMDL, with implementation recommendations focused on boat operations, and draft action plans for other metals. CEQA Scoping meetings conducted 7/2015. Anticipated Board adoption in mid-2016.	Regional	R8
A-16	ACL Complaint: San Altos-Lemon Grove	2016-03-30 Assessment of Civil Liability for Construction Storm Water Violation against San Altos-Lemon Grove, LLC. Target Board Meeting Date: 03/2016	Regional	R9
A-16	New WDR: Agricultural and Nursery Operations	2016-02-02 General Waste Discharge Requirements for Agricultural and Nursery Operations within the San Diego Region. Target Board Meeting date: 5/2016	Regional	R9
A-16	WDR Updates: Sanitary Sewer Overflow	2016-02-02 Amendment to the Sanitary Sewer Overflow Waste Discharge Requirements. Target Board Meeting date: 6/2016.	Regional	R9
A-16	WDR Rescission: Los Pinos Forestry Camp	2016-03-30 Tentative Order to Rescind Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 94-46, county of Orange General Services Agency, Los Pinos Forestry Camp, Orange County. Target Board Meeting Date: September 2016.	Regional	R9
A-16	Revised Master Reclamation Permit: Ramona Municipal Water District	2016-02-02 Revised Master Reclamation Permit for the Ramona Municipal Water District, Santa Maria Wastewater Treatment Plant, City of Ramona, and San Diego County. Revision/rescission of discharge specifications and water reclamation requirements to replace existing Order No. 2000-0177. Target Board Meeting Date: 05/2016.	Regional	R9
*A-16	Big Creeks Projects - Clean Water Act, Section 401, Water Quality Certification	2016-04-06 The State Water Board is developing a water quality certification and associated California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) document for six hydroelectric projects that are owned and operated by Southern California Edison Company in Fresno and Madera counties: Big Creek Nos. 2A, 8, and Eastwood; Big Creek No. 3; Mammoth Pool; Vermillion Valley; Portal; and Big Creeks Nos. 1 and 2. The water quality certification will become part of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission licenses for the six projects. The draft certification and CEQA document are expected to be released for public review in June 2016.	Regional	SB

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*A-16	South Fork Power Project - Clean Water Act, Section 401, Water Quality Certification	2016-04-06 The State Water Board is developing a water quality certification for the South Fork Power Project, a hydroelectric project owned and operated by South Feather Water and Power Agency. The water quality certification will become part of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission license for the South Fork Power Project. The draft certification is expected to be released for public review in July 2016.	Regional	SB
A-16	Unified Program Underground Storage Tank Surcharge Increase	2016-03-11 Underground Storage Tank (UST) Unit 1, as part of CalEPA's Unified Program, is funded by a surcharge applied to each operating UST. Surcharge funding is authorized by California Health and Safety Code. Revenue from the surcharge is intended to cover operating costs at the State Water Resources Control Board to oversee and implement the program, however the current amount fails to do so. CalEPA is proposing to raise the annual surcharge for operating USTs from \$15 per UST to \$20 per UST to cover current operating costs. CalEPA has the option of adjusting surcharge amounts annually, however the UST surcharge has not been adjusted in over 12 years. CalEPA intends to notice the proposed surcharge change in April 2016, and expects it will become effective in July 2016. Because surcharge amounts are collected and controlled by CalEPA, this record is only to provide information regarding the proposed change that will result in increased funding to State Water Resources Control Board UST Unit 1. Therefore, no action is required.	Regional	SB

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C2016	Basin Plan Amendment to remove domestic water supply as a beneficial use for portions of the China Lake groundwater basin	CEQA Scoping completed summer 2013. Lahontan Board adopted the Basin Plan Amendment on February 11, 2015. State Water Board adopted on October 7, 2015. OAL approved the amendment on January 14, 2016.	Regional	R6
C2016	General Waste Discharge Requirements and Waiver of WDRs for Wineries and Food Processors	Staff will recirculate revised draft general WDRs and Conditional Waiver in October 2015 in response to public and industry comments. The Board adoption hearing is scheduled for January 2016.	Regional	R1
C2016	Point of Use/Point of Entry Treatment Device Regulations	The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) proposes to adopt regulations governing the use of point-of-use and point-of-entry treatment devices by a public water system (PWS), in lieu of centralized treatment. Existing law requires the State Water Board to first adopt emergency regulations, followed by standard regulations, to establish criteria for applicable PWS that choose to provide treatment for drinking water through the use of POU or POE treatment devices. Staff will present emergency regulations to the Board for adoption March 15, 2016, and will then develop the standard regulations.	Statewide	SB

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C2016	Statewide General NPDES Permit for Aquatic Animal Invasive Species Control	The Statewide General NPDES Permit for Aquatic Animal Invasive Species Control Applications was adopted on the March 1, 2016 Board Meeting. The Aquatic Animal Invasive Species Control Permit regulates pesticide active ingredients for the control of quagga and zebra mussels and other aquatic animal invasive species.	Statewide	SB
C2016	Statewide General NPDES Permit for Vector Control Applications	The Statewide General NPDES Permit for Vector Control Applications was adopt on the March 1, 2016 Board Meeting. The Vector Control Permit regulates pesticide active ingredients for control of vectors, such as mosquitoes and flies that carry diseases and pathogens that threaten public health.	Statewide	SB
C2016	Statewide NPDES Permit for Spray Applications	The Statewide General NPDES Permit for Spray Applications was adopted at the March 1, 2016 Board Meeting. The Spray Applications Permit regulates pesticide active ingredients for the protection of California's agriculture from invasive plant pests. The California Department of Food and Agriculture is the sole permittee.	Statewide	SB
C2016	Strategy to Optimize Resource Management of Storm Water (STORMS)	The strategy was adopted at the January 6, 2016 Board Meeting.	Statewide	SB
C2016	WDR Addendum, San Pasqual Academy	San Diego County Sanitation District, San Pasqual Academy Water Pollution Control Facility (Tentative Addendum No. 1 to Order No. R9-2009-0072). Addendum No. 1 to Order No. R9-2009-0072 adopted February 10, 2016.	Regional	R9
C2016	WDR Addendum: Sycamore Landfill	Tentative Addendum No. 4 to Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 99-74, Sycamore Landfill, Republic Services Inc., San Diego County. Amendment to add more capacity for 2.2 million cubic yards in new Stage IV-B cell. Addendum No. 4 to Order No. 99-74 adopted 3/9/2016.	Regional	R9
C2016	WDR Rescission: Heise Park Water Pollution Control Facility	Rescission of WDRs for San Diego County's Heise Park Water Pollution Control Facility and Pine Valley Water Pollution Control Facility. Upon rescission of the WDR Orders for these two facilities (Order Nos. 93-09 and 94-161), staff will enroll them in the Statewide WDR Order for small wastewater treatment facilities. Order No. R9-2016-0015 adopted 3/9/2016.		R9
C2016	WDR Revocation: Winchester Wesselink Dairy	Tentative Order Revoking Order No. R9-2007-0042, Waste Discharge Requirements for Winchester Wesselink Dairy, Riverside County (Tentative Order No. R9-2016-0001). Order No. R9-2016-0001 adopted February 10, 2016.	Regional	R9

# Policies/General Permits Completed in 2015

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C2015		Waiver adopted at the January 15, 2015 Regional Board Meeting. Monitoring and Reporting Plan will be submitted, reviewed and approved within 2015.	Regional	R7

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C2015	Amend WDRs for Mission Valley Plant Complex	Addendum: Waste Discharge Requirements for Mission Valley Plant Complex, San Diego County, Addendum No. 1. The Addendum proposes to transfer responsibility for compliance with Order No. 93-119 from Vulcan Materials Company, West Region to CEMEX Material Pacific, LLC, as requested by the Discharger.	Regional	R9
C2015	Amend WDRs for Palomar Transit Mix Company	Addendum: Waste Discharge Requirements for Palomar Transit Mix Company, Washington Avenue Plant Escondido, Addendum No. 1. The Addendum proposes to transfer responsibility for compliance with Order No. 88-66 from Vulcan Materials Company, West Region to CEMEX Material Pacific, LLC, as requested by the Discharger.	Regional	R9
C2015	Amend WDRs: Palomar Transit Mix Company/Oceanside Concrete Batch Plant	Addendum: Waste Discharge Requirements for Palomar Transit Mix Company/Oceanside Concrete Batch Plant, San Diego County, Addendum No. 2. The Addendum proposes to transfer responsibility for compliance with Order No. 88-37 from Vulcan Materials Company, West Region to CEMEX Material Pacific, LLC, as requested by Discharger.	Regional	R9
C2015	Aquatic Pesticide General Permit - Weed Control	Staff is proposing an amendment to the permit to: (1) add three agencies to the permit's list of public entities or mutual water companies that are excepted from meeting receiving water limitations for acrolein or copper per SIP section 5.3, (2) modify the Department of Water Resources' exception to the State Implementation Policy (SIP) to add additional water bodies managed by the Department for which the existing exception does not apply, (3) add the pesticide active ingredients calcium hypochlorite and sodium hypochlorite to the permit, and (4) add a delegation from the Water Board to the Executive Director that allows the addition of: (a) pesticide active ingredients to the permit that are newly registered by Department of Pesticide Regulations, and (b) dischargers that have fulfilled the requirements to obtain a SIP exception. Staff posted the draft order on December 12, 2014 for a 30-day comment period, which ended on January 14, 2015. No comments were received. The Board adopted the item at its March 3, 2015 meeting.	Statewide	SB
C2015	Area of Special Biological Significance Exception for UC San Diego Scripps	On April 21, the State Board adopted an exception to the Ocean Plan to allow continued discharge of Stormwater from the University of California Scripps Institution of Oceanography into the UC-Scripps Area of Special Biological Significance.	Statewide	SB
C2015	Basin Plan Amendment to Incorporate Requirements of the State Water Board's Policy for Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems and to Update the Nitrogen Ground Water Quality Objective	Also include adoption of San Diego County DEH Local Agency Management Plan (LAMP) on same agenda. Raising the nitrate level is consistent with OWTS Policy and benefits Recycled Water Policy BPA in 2015. Resolution No. R9-2015-0008.	Regional	R9

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C2015	Basin Plan Triennial Review	WQO Update Amendment (Phase 1) – This amendment updates Chapters 3 of the Basin Plan including the following: • Addition of a new narrative toxicity objective for groundwater. • Deletion of Table 3-2, Inorganic, Organic, and Fluoride Concentrations Not to be Exceeded in Domestic or Municipal Supply. Replacement with prospective incorporation of Title 22 drinking water standards as "concentration not to be exceeded." • Revision of DO objectives. • Language describing how objectives and policies are implemented in regulatory actions by identifying appropriate thresholds It also includes nonsubstantive revisions to Chapters 1, 3 and 5. The Regional Board adopted the amendment in June 2015. Staff is completing the transmittal package and admin record to transmit to State Board in Feb. 2016 and OAL soon thereafter.	Regional	R1
C2015	Composting Operations Statewide General Order	The Environmental Impact Report and the General Order was adopted at the August 4, 2015 Board Meeting.	Statewide	SB
C2015	Consideration of a Resolution Approving the Final Report of the Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Forum Triennial Review	A draft resolution to approve the 2014 Triennial Review of the Colorado River salinity objectives and plan of implementation was adopted May 5, 2015.	Statewide	SB
C2015	Enrollment of Orange County Copermittees into the Regional MS4 Permit and other Permit Amendments	Public Workshop and Hearing to receive and discuss information on proposed amendments to the Regional NPDES Permit for Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) Draining the Watersheds within the San Diego Region, including but not limited to the incorporation of the County of Orange, several Incorporated Cities of Orange County, and the Orange County Flood Control District as Copermittees. Public Workshop to be held on October 8, 2014; hearing scheduled for February 11, 2015. Order No. R9-2015-0001 adopted February 11, 2015.	Regional	R9
C2015	Evaluate Municipal and Domestic Supply Beneficial Uses for Groundwater in the vicinity of the Littlejohns Fault and Establish Groundwater Protection Regulations for these Site-Specific Conditions - Amendment to the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River Basin Plan	The Basin Plan Amendment was adopted by the Central Valley Water Board on 28 March 2014 and approved by the State Water Board on 20 January 2015. A revision to Sources of Drinking Water Policy was also adopted by the State Water Board on 20 January 2015 to provide a site-specific exception for groundwater beneath portions of the Royal Mountain King Mine Site. On 20 May 2015, OAL gave final approval to the Amendment and the revision to the Sources of Drinking Water Policy.	Regional	R5
C2015	General NPDES (discharge to surface waters) permit for fish hatcheries	The draft Order was published for public comment between May 14, 2015, and June 26, 2015. In response to written request, the public comment period was extended to July 17, 2015. Staff is currently finalizing response to comments and the draft Order will be proposed for adoption on November 19, 2015.	Regional	R1
C2015	General Permit for De-Minimis Discharges	Adopted by the Board on June 19, 2015.	Regional	R8
C2015	Grassland Drainage Area - New Groundwater WDRs	The Grassland Drainage Area (GDA) surface water discharges are regulated through the Grassland Bypass Project WDRs. A separate set of general WDRs for discharge to groundwater from the GDA were adopted by Central Valley Water Board in July 2015. The groundwater WDRs have a similar structure to other irrigated lands WDRs.	Regional	R5

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C2015	Grazing Ranch Action Project	On September 16, 2015, the State Water Board adopted a resolution discontinuing the Grazing Regulatory Action Project and directing Regional Water Boards to consider regulating grazing operations on a regional basis. In its motion approving the resolution, the Board directed staff to work with UC Cooperative Extension and other groups to update Ranch Management Plans (BMP) guidance. The State Water Board directed staff to provide an update at a Board meeting within 12-16 months on: how staff have engaged with UC and other stakeholders, what the State and Regional Water Boards staff have done, what has been done with the UC and the Ranch Management Plans, and when staff expects to finish the updates to the Ranch Management Plans.  Website:http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/nps/grap.shtml	Statewide	SB
	Groundwater Oil and Gas Monitoring Program	Senate Bill 4 (Pavley, statutes of 2013) requires State Water Board to develop model criteria for groundwater monitoring in areas of oil and gas well stimulation by July 1, 2015 and begin implementation of Regional Groundwater monitoring by January 2016. The Model Criteria was adopted by the State Water Board at the July 7, 2015 meeting. State Water Board also authorized Executive Director to enter into contracts for implementation of the Regional Groundwater Monitoring Program.	Statewide	SB
	Implementation of the Water Quality Objective for Temperature, and Action Plans to Address Temperature Impairments in the Mattole, Navarro, and Eel River Watersheds	The State Water Board approved it in April 2015.	Regional	R1
C2015	Integrated Report Adoption (2012)	State Water Board Staff completed lines of evidence for Regional Board review for North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board, and Colorado River Basin Regional Water Quality Control Board. All three Regions have approved their respective Regional Integrated Reports. State Water Board staff has received all of the administrative records and has evaluated the recommendations pursuant to the Listing Policy. The 303(d) List portion of the California Integrated Report was released for public comment on December 31, 2014 with comments due by February 5, 2015. This 303(d) List portion of the California Integrated Report was adopted by the State Water Board on April 8, 2015. U.S. EPA makes the final approval decision on the 303(d) List portion of the California Integrated Report. On April 27, 2015 the 303(d) List portion of the 2012 California Integrated Report was transmitted to U.S. EPA and approved on July 30, 2015.	Statewide	SB
C2015	Listing Policy Update	The proposed amendments were adopted by the State Water Board on February 3, 2015. Resolution No. 2015-0005. OAL approved the amendment on 5/15/2015.	Statewide	SB

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C2015	Marijuana Cultivation Waste Discharge Regulatory Program: General Waiver	Waiver adopted by Board in August 2015. The enrollment deadline is February 15, 2016. Staff is currently reviewing third party program applications and will be scheduling enrollment workshops throughout the region. The waiver followed a similar model to other non-point source/agricultural regulatory programs with respect to defining multiple tiers under which regulated sites may fit based on their threat to water quality. The waiver includes thresholds for each tier, standard conditions and performance measures, enrollment, fees, tracking, monitoring, and the development of third party certification programs.	Regional	R1
C2015	Master Reclamation Permit Reissuance - North City Water Reclamation Facility	City of San Diego, North City Water Reclamation Plant, San Diego County. Order No. R9-2015-0091 adopted December 16, 2015.	Regional	R9
C2015	Master Reclamation Permit Reissuance, Woods Valley Ranch	Valley Center Municipal Water District, Woods Valley Ranch Water Reclamation Facility, San Diego County. Order No. R9-2015-0104 adopted December 16, 2015.	Regional	R9
C2015	NPDES General Order for Groundwater Cleanup	The NPDES General Order for Groundwater Cleanup R7-2009-0400 was rescinded and replaced by General Order R7-2015-0007 on September 17, 2015.	Regional	R7
C2015	NPDES Permit Amendment, Riverside County	An Order to amend Order No. R9-2013-0001, as amended by Order No. R9-2015-0001, NPDES No. CA0109266, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit and Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges from the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) Draining the Watersheds within the San Diego Region. The amendment includes, but is not limited to, incorporation of the County of Riverside, the Cities of Murrieta, Temecula, and Wildomar, and the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District as Copermittees. Order No. R9-2015-0100 adopted 11/18/2015.	Regional	R9
	NPDES Permit Reissuance for BAE Systems	Includes Chronic Toxicity limits and sediment monitoring. Order No. R9-2015-0034 adopted June 24, 2015.	Regional	R9
C2015	NPDES Permit Reissuance for Hale Avenue Resource Recovery Facility (HARRF)	NPDES Permit Renewal for Hale Avenue Resource Recovery Facility (HARRF), Escondido Creek. Separate from brine line discharge. Discharges only occur during large wet weather events. HAARF treats raw waste water to recycled water standard. Order No. R9-2015-0026 adopted June 24, 2015.	Regional	R9
C2015	NPDES Permit Reissuance, Groundwater Extraction Permit	A single general permit will replace the two currently existing general permits. Groundwater Extraction Discharges to Surface Waters within the San Diego Region. Order No. R9-2015-0013 adopted June 24, 2015.	Regional	R9
C2015	NPDES Permit Reissuance, San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS), Units 2 and 3	Southern California Edison, San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS) Discharge to the Pacific Ocean. Order No. R9-2015-0073, NPDES No. CA0109282, adopted December 16, 2015.	Regional	R9
	NPDES Permit Reissuance: UCSD Scripps Institution of Oceanography	University of California, San Diego—Scripps Institution of Oceanography Discharge to the Pacific Ocean. Order No. R9-2015-0070, NPDES No. CA0107239, adopted 11/18/2015.	Regional	R9
C2015	NPDES Permit Reissuance: Naval Base Coronado	Discharge to the Pacific Ocean, San Diego Bay and the Tijuana River Estuary. Order No. R9-2015-0117, NPDES No. CA0109185, adopted 11/18/2015.	Regional	R9

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C2015	NPDES Permit Renewal - Continental Maritime of San Diego	Discharge to San Diego Bay (Tentative Order No. R9-2015-0009, NPDES No. CA0109142). Order No. R9-2015-0009 adopted 3/16/2015.	Regional	R9
C2015	NPDES Permit RenewalPadre Dam Water Reclamation Facility	Permit is scheduled for FY 14-15. Order No. R9-2015-0002, NPDES No. CA0107492, adopted May 13, 2015.	Regional	R9
C2015	Ocean Plan Amendment: desalination and brine provisions	State Water Board staff prepared an amendment to the Ocean Plan to address impacts to marine life from desalination facilities and brine discharges. The Ocean Plan Desal Amendment was adopted on May 6, 2015. Staff submitted the Office of Administrative Law (OAL)'s package on December 14, 2015. The Ocean Plan Desal Amendment was approved by OAL on January 28, 2016.	Statewide	SB
C2015	Once Through Cooling Amendment to address Dynegy Settlement	On April 7, 2015 the State Water Board adopted an amendment to the Once Through Cooling policy to extend the compliance deadline from Dec 31, 2017 to Dec 31, 2020 for the Moss Landing Power Facility, consistent with the Dynegy Settlement. Resolution number 2015-0018	Statewide	SB
C2015	OWTS Policy	The OWTS Policy was originally envisioned to be included as part of this Groundwater Protection Strategy. But, it was pulled out as a separate project to adhere to State Board deadlines. It was approved by the Regional Board in June 2014 and the State Board in June 2015. Staff is completing the admin record to transmit to OAL	Regional	R1
C2015	Policy in Support of Restoration and Basin Plan Amendment	A Restoration Policy was adopted by the Regional Board in January 2015 and the State Board in April 2015. Staff is compiling the admin record to transmit the package to OAL. The policy acknowledges the Regional Board's interest in supporting restoration as a water quality protection strategy. It also makes explicit the inapplicability of a sediment discharge prohibition to restoration projects.	Regional	R1
C2015	Region-Wide Waiver for Small Wineries and Food Processors	A Mitigated Negative Declaration (Resolution R5-2015-0004) and Conditional Waiver (Resolution R5-2015-0005) were adopted on 5 February 2015. The Waiver replaces the previous Waiver (Order R5-2009-0097) and expands its applicability to wastewater discharge volumes of up to 1,000,000 MG per year. (Staff contact, Anne Olson)	Regional	R5
C2015	Reissuance of Low Threat NPDES Permit	The Board adopted the permit on March 12, 2015.	Regional	R1
C2015	Reissuance of regional general permit for aggregate mining and sand washing	Completed. Permit reissued July 8, 2015.	Regional	R2
C2015	renew NPDES General Order for Low Threat Discharges	The review and update for the NPDES Low Threat General Order R7-2009-0300 rescinded and replaced by General Order R7-2015-0006 on September 17, 2015.	Regional	R7
C2015	Renew Waiver of filing a report of waste discharge and obtaining waste discharge requirements for septic systems in the Lahontan Region	Lahontan Water Board, at its April 9-10, 2014 meeting, adopted a Basin Plan amendment to incorporate the adopted OWTS Policy. The State Board approved the Basin Plan amendment at its July 2, 2014 meeting. The CA OAL approved the Basin Plan amendment on 10/1/2014. US EPA approved the Basin Plan Amendment on 9/10/2015.	Regional	R6

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C2015	Renewal of Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Nonpoint Source discharges related to certain activities on US Forest Service Lands	On October 8, 2015, the North Coast Regional Water Board adopted a revised Waiver and Monitoring and Reporting Program (R1-2015-0021) for Nonpoint Source Discharges Related to Certain Federal Land Management Activities on National Forest System Lands in the North Coast Region.	Regional	R1
C2015	Rescission of WDRs - Sand and Gravel Operations	An Order Rescinding Order Nos. 88-65, 94-06, 94-34, and 94-63, Individual Waste Discharge Requirements for Hanson Aggregates Sand and Gravel Operations in Escondido, Lakeside, and San Diego. Order No. R9-2015-0105 adopted 11/18/2015.	Regional	R9
C2015	Resolution Providing Findings in Support of Prior Denial of Waste Discharge Requirements for the Foothill Eastern Transportation Corridor Agency, Tesoro Extension, SR241 Toll Road.	Tentative Resolution providing findings of prior denial of Waste Discharge Requirements for the F/ETCA, Tesoro Extension Project. Currently scheduled for March 2015. Written Comments due February 18, 2015. Resolution No. R9-2015-0022 adopted on March 16, 2015.	Regional	R9
C2015	Safe Drinking Water Plan	The draft Safe Drinking Water Plan was released for public review and comment on October 6, 2014. Written comments are due by noon on December 15, 2014. Staff held six public workshops across the state to get input from stakeholders. The notice of opportunity to comment and for the public workshops is available at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/safedrinkingwaterplan/index.shtml	Statewide	SB
C2015	Short-Term Renewal of U.S. Forest Service Nonpoint Source Waiver	Short-term renewal of Order R1-2010-0029, Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Nonpoint Source Discharges related to certain activities on US Forest Service Land. Waiver expires in June 2015. The Short Term renewal allows staff to develop a revised Wavier for Board consideration later in 2015.	Regional	R1
C2015	State Water Board Storm Water Resource Plan Guidelines	The Storm Water Resource Plan Guidelines were adopted at the December 15, 2015 State Water Board Meeting. The Guidelines provide guidance for developing Storm Water Resource Plans for funding purposes. The Guidelines are being implemented by the State Water Board's Division of Financial Assistance, and by other funding agencies.	Statewide	SB
C2015	Time Schedule Order for the HARRF, Escondido Creek	TSO to achieve compliance with final effluent limitations for Nitrogen, Phosphorous, TDs, etc. or terminate discharge. Order No. R9-2015-0027 adopted June 24, 2015.	Regional	R9
C2015	Time Schedule Order, Naval Base Coronado	A Time Schedule Order Requiring the U.S. Department of the Navy to Comply with Requirements Prescribed in Order No. R9-2015-0117, NPDES No. CA0109185. Order No. R9-2015-0118 adopted 11/18/2015.	Regional	R9
C2015	Trash WQC Plan Amendments	On April 7, 2015, the State Water Board adopted amendments to water quality control plans to address discharges of trash into Ocean and inland surface water ways. Ocean unit staff submitted the Trash Amendments Office of Administrative Law (OAL) package on Oct 16, 2015. OAL approved the Trash Amendments on Dec. 2, 2015. USEPA approved the water quality objective of the Trash Amendments on January 12, 2016. Water Boards Staff is working on Trash Implementation.	Statewide	SB

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	U.S. Navy Remote Training Site Wastewater Treatment Plant, Warner Springs, Riverside County	The Navy submitted a report of waste discharge for a new wastewater treatment plant which will replace the existing package plant and wastewater conveyance/disposal system at the U.S. Navy Remote Training Site (formerly SERE Camp) located in Warner Springs. The proposed WWTP disposal system relies upon assimilative capacity for TDS concentrations for TDS and nitrate. Order No. R9-2015-0012 adopted February 11, 2015.	Regional	R9
	Update of the Waste Discharge Requirements for the Grasslands Bypass Project	Updated WDRs were adopted by Central Valley Water Board in July 2015 to reflect a Basin Plan amendment and the Use Agreement between the US Bureau of Reclamation and the San Luis and Delta-Mendota Water Authority for Phase III of the project.	Regional	R5
	Update Water Quality Objectives (Phase I)	Amendment to update Chapter 3 of the Basin Plan adopted in June 2015. Added new narrative toxicity objective for groundwater, revised DO objectives and other revisions.	Regional	R1
	Waste Discharge Requirement Amendment Vulcan Materials Company	An Addendum Transferring Responsibility for Order No. 93-119 from Calmat Company (d/b/a Vulcan Materials Company, West Region) to CEMEX Materials Pacific, LLC. Addendum No. 1 to Order No. 93-119 adopted June 24, 2015.	Regional	R9
	Waste Discharge Requirement Amendment Vulcan Materials Company	An Addendum Transferring Responsibility for Order No. 88-37 from Calmat Company (d/b/a/Vulcan Materials Company, West Region) to CEMEX Materials Pacific, LLC. Addendum No. 2 to Order No. 88-37 adopted June 24, 2015.	Regional	R9
	Waste Discharge Requirements Amendment Vulcan Materials Company	An Addendum Transferring Responsibility for Order No. 88-66 from Calmat Company (d/b/a Vulan Materials Company, West Region) to CEMEX Materials Pacific, LLC. Addendum No. 1 to Order 88-66 adopted June 24, 2015.	Regional	R9
	Waste Discharge Requirements for Sycamore Landfill, Inc., A subsidiary of Republic Services, Inc., Sycamore Landfill, San Diego County, Addendum No. 3	add 700,000 cubic yards of capacity to Sycamore Landfill. Amend WDRs in Order 99-74 to allow construction of the new cell and discharge of wastes. Addendum No. 3 to Order No. 99-74	Regional	R9
	WDR Amendment - Sycamore Landfill, Inc.	Modification of Order No. 99-74, Waste Discharge Requirements for the Sycamore Landfill, Inc., A Subsidiary of Republic Services, Inc., Sycamore Landfill, San Diego County. Addendum No. 3 to Order 99-74 adopted 4/15/2015.	Regional	R9
	WDR Reissuance, TDY Industries, LLC	Waste Discharge Requirements and Monitoring and Reporting Program Reissuance: TDY Industries, LLC, Post-Closure Maintenance and Monitoring of the Convair Lagoon Sand Cap, San Diego Bay. Order No. R9-2015-0029 adopted December 16, 2015.	Regional	R9

# **Division of Water Rights**

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(A-16*)	Phase I update of the Bay-Delta Plan: San Joaquin River flows and southern Delta salinity.	The Draft Substitute Environmental Document (SED) was released on December 31, 2012 for public comment. Hearing to receive comments on the SED was held on March 20-21, 2013, and comments were received by March 29, 2013. Revised Draft SED to be recirculated for public comment in spring of 2016. Draft plan amendment to be brought to the Board for consideration by fall of 2016.	Yes	SB (DWR) Diane Riddle
(A-17*)	Phase II update of the Bay-Delta Plan: Comprehensive Review	State Water Board staff is in the process of a phased review and update of the 2006 Water Quality Control Plan for the Bay-Delta (2006 Bay-Delta Plan). The second phase of the review focuses on the following issues: (1) Delta outflow objectives, (2) export/inflow objectives, (3) Delta Cross Channel Gate closure objectives, (4) Suisun Marsh objectives; (5) potential new reverse flow objectives for Old and Middle Rivers; (6) potential new floodplain habitat flow objectives; (7) potential changes to the monitoring and special studies program, and (8) other potential changes to the program of implementation. Staff is preparing a Scientific Basis Report that will provide the underlying scientific support for proposed flow and water quality objectives. The Report will consider recommendations provided in the Delta Science Program's Workshops Panel Summary Reports on Delta Outflows and Related Stressors (May 2014) and Interior Delta Flows and Related Stressors (July 2014). The Scientific Basis Report is expected to be released for public review in spring 2016. Staff is also developing a Substitute Environmental Document that will provide an evaluation of the potential environmental impacts of the proposed changes to the Bay-Delta Plan. This document is expected to be released for public review in 2017.	Yes	SB (DWR) Diane Riddle

(A*)	Russian River Frost Protection Regulation	The State Water Board began a phased implementation of the Russian River Frost Regulation for the 2015 frost season. In February of 2015, the Division approved three major Initial Water Demand Management Plans (WDMPs) and two individual WDMPs. The Governing Bodies for these WDMPs submitted their first Annual Reports in September 2015 and submitted updated frost protection system inventories and schedules for consultation with fisheries agencies in February 2016. The Division notified the Governing Bodies in February of 2016 that the WDMPs remain in compliance with the Regulation for the 2016 frost season (March 15 to May 15). The second Annual Reports are due September 1, 2016.	No	SB (DWR) John O'Hagan
A-16	Big Creek Projects	The State Water Board is developing a water quality certification and associated California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) document for six hydroelectric projects that are owned and operated by Southern California Edison Company in Fresno and Madera counties: Big Creek Nos. 2A, 8, and Eastwood; Big Creek No. 3; Mammoth Pool; Vermillion Valley; Portal; and Big Creeks Nos. 1 and 2. The water quality certification will become part of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission licenses for the six projects. The draft certification and CEQA document are expected to be released for public review in June 2016.	Yes	SB (DWR) Erin Ragazzi
A-16	South Fork Power Project	The State Water Board is developing a water quality certification for the South Fork Power Project, a hydroelectric project owned and operated by South Feather Water and Power Agency. The water quality certification will become part of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission license for the South Fork Power Project. The draft certification is expected to be released for public review in July 2016.	No	SB (DWR) Erin Ragazzi