

Basin Plan Amendments

**CEQA Scoping Meeting
Central Coast Water Board**

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CEQA Scoping Meeting Purpose

- Receive Public Input on Potential Environmental Impacts of the Project
- Provide Project Information
- Discuss CEQA/Regulatory Processes and Future Opportunities for Public Participation

Agenda

- Central Coast Water Board Responsibilities
- Proposed Amendments
- CEQA Process
- Public Forum

Water Board Responsibilities

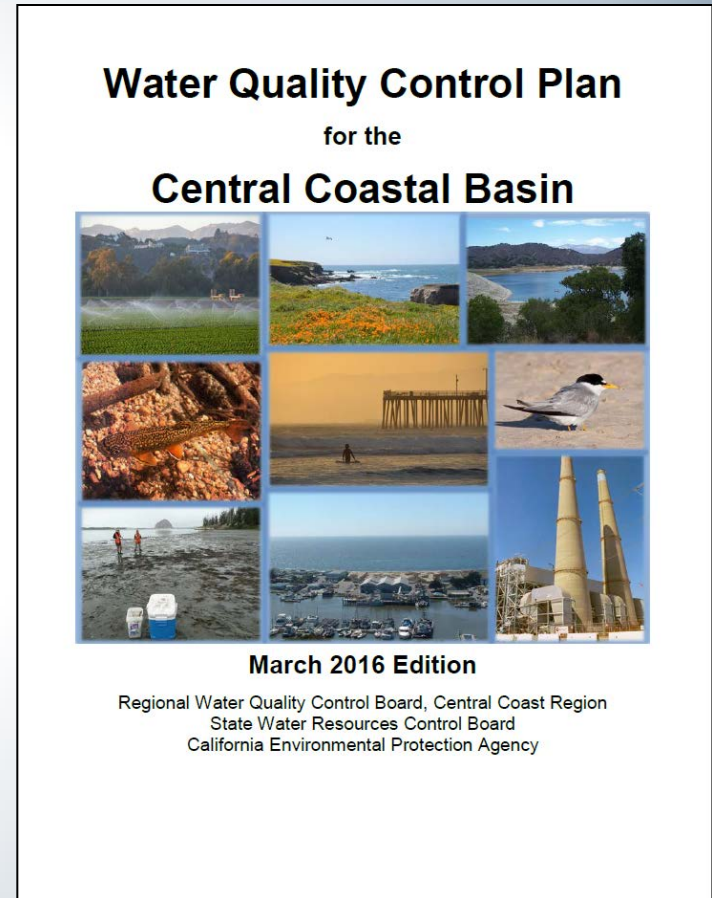
Mission: To preserve, enhance, and restore the quality of California's water resources and drinking water for the protection of the environment, public health, and all beneficial uses, and to ensure proper water resource allocation and efficient use, for the benefit of present and future generations.

- State regulatory agency responsible for protecting and restoring water quality.
- Establish water quality standards to support beneficial uses to maintain healthy waters.
- Develop plans to restore water quality to support beneficial uses.

Project Description

Proposed amendments of Water Quality Control Plan for Central Coastal Basin (Basin Plan):

- 1. Regulatory amendments** to revise beneficial use designations for specific waterbodies, and
- 2. Non-regulatory, editorial** amendments to improve the clarity of the Basin Plan.

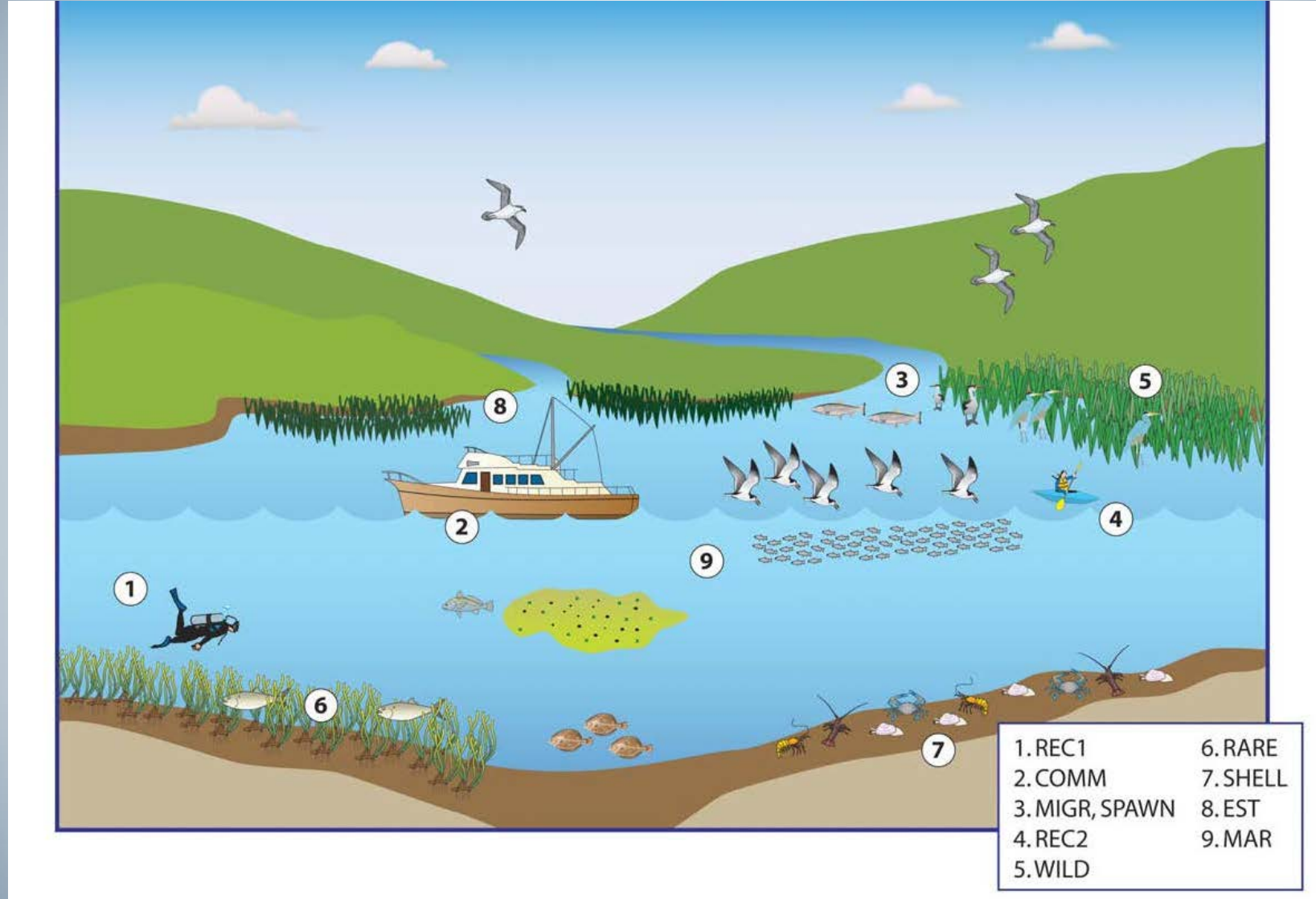


256 pages

Regulatory amendments

- Regulatory portion of the proposed amendment consists of revising *beneficial uses* for ten surface waterbodies in six surface water hydrologic units.

Beneficial Uses of Water



From: Sutula, M., Creager, C. and G. Wortham. 2007. *Technical approach to Develop Nutrient Numeric Endpoints for California Estuaries*. SCCWRB Tech. Rpt. 516.

Proposed Basin Plan Amendments

Hydrologic Unit	Waterbody Name	MUN	AGR	PRO	IND	GWR	REC-1	REC-2	WILD	COLD	WARM	MIGR	SPWN	BIOL	RARE	EST	FRESH	NAV	POW	COMM	AQUA	SAL	SHELL	ASBS	MAR
Big Basin (304)	Newell Creek	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X				X		X	X					
Bolsa Nueva (306)	Los Carneros Creek	X					X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		X			X					
Salinas (309)	Old Salinas River Estuary, <u>downstream of Potrero Rd.</u>						X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				X			X		
"	Tembladero Slough						X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X				X			X		
"	Salinas Reclamation Canal						X	X	X	X	X	X								X					
"	Gabilan Creek	X	X			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X					X					
"	<u>Old Salinas River</u>						X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				X					
"	Salinas River Lagoon (North)						X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				X					
Santa Maria (312)	Orcutt Creek	X	X			X	X	X	X	X	X				X	X	X			X					
San Antonio (313)	Shuman Canyon Creek	X	X				X	X	X		X		X		X	X	X			X					
"	Casmalia Canyon Creek	X	X				X	X	X		X		X		X					X					
Santa Barbara (315)	Arroyo Paredon	X	X			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X			X					

Non-regulatory amendments

Basin Plan Chapter 1 (Introduction)

Add Vision of Healthy Watersheds and Measurable Goals Language

Revise Central Coast Region Map, Figure 1-1

Delete 1988 Triennial Review Language

Basin Plan Chapter 2 (Beneficial Uses)

Revise Surface Waters Map and Table, Figure 2-1

Revise Groundwater Basins Map and Table, Figure 2-2 and Table 2-4

Correct Salinas River Beneficial Uses and Correct waterbody names in Table 2-1

Correct Beneficial Use of Soda Lake

Replace ASBS designations with BIOL

Basin Plan Chapter 3 (Water Quality Objectives)

Correct references to Drinking Water Standards and remove outdated Tables 3-1 and 3-2

Correct Table 3-3 footnote

Correct Mercury Objective footnote in Tables 3-5 and 3-6

Correct text referring to Table 3-7 Mean Water Quality Objectives

Non-regulatory amendments (cont'd)

Basin Plan Chapter 4 (Implementation)

Remove reference to Road Spreading Policy

Add list of Approved Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs)

Basin Plan Chapter 5 (Plans and Policies)

Remove unnecessary onsite wastewater systems language

Basin Plan Chapter 6 (Monitoring and Assessment)

Revise description of the GAMA program

Affecting All Chapters of the Basin Plan

Revise use of “Basin” and “Subbasin” for surface and groundwaters

Revise citations to Basin Plan Appendix

Correct compound word and style inconsistencies

Renumber headings

Remove Table of Contents from Chapters 4 and 6

Correct CCR Title 23 Chapter 15 Citations for solid wastes. (Regs are now in Title 27.)

Staff Report Issues Format

For each amendment include:

1. Issue Title
2. Discussion of Amendment
3. Proposed Basin Plan Amendment

CEQA Scoping

- Evaluate the potential for adverse environmental impacts by the project
- Receive Public Input

CEQA Checklist

- Aesthetics
- Agriculture and Forestry Resources
- Air Quality
- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Geology / Soils
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Hazards & Hazardous Materials
- Hydrology / Water Quality
- Land Use / Planning
- Mineral Resources
- Noise
- Population / Housing
- Public Services
- Recreation
- Transportation / Traffic
- Utilities / Service Systems

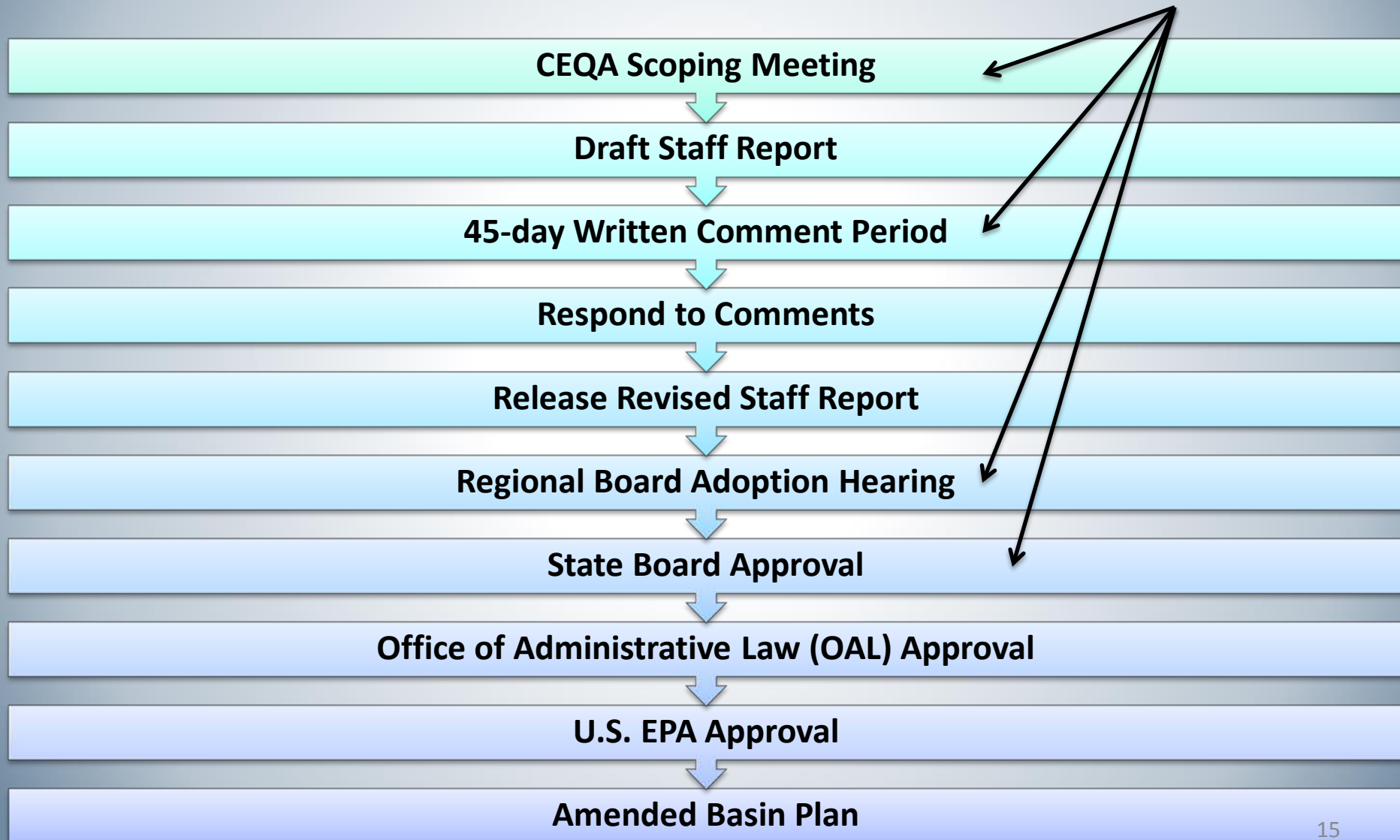
Mandatory Findings of Significance:

- **No Impact**
- **Less than Sig. Impact**
- **Significant Impact**

No Impact expected from this BP amendment.

Public Participation Opportunities

Public Participation



Basin Planning Web Page

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/publications_forms/publications/basin_plan/index.shtml

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Water Quality Control Plan for the Central Coastal Basin (Basin Plan)

The Water Quality Control Plan for the Central Coastal Basin (Basin Plan) is the Board's master water quality control planning document. It designates beneficial uses and water quality objectives for waters of the State, including surface waters and groundwater. It also includes programs of implementation to achieve water quality objectives.

Basin Plan

The *current* Basin Plan consists of the 2016 Basin Plan edition and all amendments fully-approved after October 2014 as listed below:

- [Basin Plan 2016](#)
 - [Notes about the 2016 Basin Plan edition](#)
- [Basin Plan 2016](#) (without Appendix)
- [Basin Plan 2016](#) (strikeout/underline showing changes since 2011)

Basin Plan amendments approved and in effect (approved by Office of Administrative Law) since October 2014:

- None at this time.

Adopted Amendments Pending Further Approval

Basin Plan amendments do not become effective until sequentially adopted by the Regional Water Board, and approved by the State Water Board and the California Office of Administrative Law. Amendments containing new or revised water quality standards also require the approval of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Basin Plan Amendments Approved by the Central Coast Regional Water Board:

- Resolution No. R3-2015-0004. [Total maximum daily loads for nutrients in the Pajaro River basin](#). 7/30/2015.

Amendments Under Development

- Amendment to revise Beneficial Use Designations and to make Editorial Changes.
 - [Scoping Meeting Notice](#) - April 18, 2016 at the Central Coast Water Board Hearing Room.

Triennial Review

The California Water Code and the Clean Water Act and require Basin Plans to be reviewed and updated periodically (at a minimum every three years).

Go to the Central Coast Basin Plan [Triennial Review Process page](#).

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Water Quality Performance Report

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Thank You!

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