

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
LOS ANGELES REGION**

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Los Angeles, California 90013
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Public Notice No. 23-012

**PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF
WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS (WDRs) AND
WATER RECLAMATION REQUIREMENTS (WRRs)**

PERMITTEES	RECYCLING LOCATION	GROUNDWATER BASIN
City of Los Angeles Bureau of Sanitation (LASAN) Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP)	Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) and Hyperion Water Reclamation Plant (HWRP)	Coastal Plain of Los Angeles West Coast

The City of Los Angeles Bureau of Sanitation is currently implementing a recycled water project consisting of the design, construction, and operation of the Hyperion Advanced Water Purification Facility (HAWPF, an advanced water purification facility at HWRP). Once constructed and in operation, the HAWPF will produce advanced treated recycled water that meets the definition of disinfected tertiary recycled water in Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations. The HAWPF is being constructed on-site at the HWRP at 12000 Vista del Mar Boulevard Playa del Rey, CA 90293. The HAWPF will have the capacity to treat up to 2 million gallons per day (MGD) of primary-treated wastewater from the HWRP and produce up to 1.5 MGD recycled water for non-potable reuse at LAX and at the HWRP. The primary effluent not treated by the HAWPF will continue to be treated at HWRP and discharged to the Pacific Ocean, regulated under National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit No. CA0109991. The HAWPF is currently in the process of being constructed so the use and distribution of its recycled water is not yet regulated.

On the basis of preliminary staff review and application of lawful standards and regulations, the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Los Angeles Water Board) tentatively proposes to issue waste discharge requirements, including effluent limitations and special conditions.

PUBLIC HEARING DATE AND LOCATION

The Los Angeles Water Board will hold a public hearing on the tentative WDRs/WRRs during its regular Board meeting on the following date and time and at the following location:

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Date: **October 19, 2023**
Time: 9:00 a.m.
320 W. 4th Street, Carmel Room
Place: Los Angeles, California 90013

A virtual platform is also available for those who want to join online. Please follow the directions provided in the agenda to register or to view the Board meeting.

Interested persons are invited to attend. At the public hearing, the Los Angeles Water Board will hear any testimony pertinent to the discharge, tentative WDRs, and WRRs. Oral testimony will be heard; however, for accuracy of the record, important testimony should be in writing.

Please be aware that dates and venues may change. Our [Web address](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/board_info/agenda/) is http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/board_info/agenda/, where you can access the current agenda for changes in dates and locations.

AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS

The Report of Waste Discharge (ROWD), other documents relied upon, tentative effluent limitations and special provisions, comments received, and other information on file are available for inspection and copying between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday by appointment at the following address:

Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board
320 West 4th Street, Suite 200
Los Angeles, CA 90013

The Tentative requirements are available on the Los Angeles Water Board's [website](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/board_decisions/tentative_orders/) at: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/board_decisions/tentative_orders/ under the "Individual WDR/WRR" heading.

The entire file (ROWD, other documents relied upon, tentative effluent limitations and special provisions, comments received, and other information) will become a part of the administrative record of this proceeding, irrespective of whether individual documents are specifically referenced during the hearing. The entire file will not be present in the hearing room. Should any interested persons desire staff to bring to the hearing any documents that are not included in the agenda packet, they must submit a written or electronic request to staff during business hours, not later than five business days before the hearing. The request must identify the documents with enough specificity for staff to locate them.

NATURE OF HEARING

This will be an adjudicative hearing pursuant to section 648 et seq. of title 23 of the California Code of Regulations. Chapter 5 of the California Administrative Procedure Act (commencing with section 11500 of the Government Code) will not apply to this proceeding.

Ex Parte Communications Prohibited: As a quasi-adjudicative proceeding, no board member may discuss the subject of this hearing with any person, except during the

public hearing itself. Any communications to the Los Angeles Water Board must be directed to staff.

COMMUNICATIONS WITH STAFF BEFORE THE HEARING

The lead staff member responsible for this item is:

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PARTIES TO THE HEARING

The following are the parties to this proceeding:

City of Los Angeles, Bureau of Sanitation

Any other persons requesting party status must submit a written or electronic request to staff no later than 20 business days before the hearing. All parties will be notified if other persons are so designated.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND SUBMITTAL OF EVIDENCE

Persons wishing to comment on, or object to, the tentative WDRs and NPDES permit, or submit evidence for the Board to consider, are invited to submit them in writing to [Xiaofei Cui](mailto:Xiaofei.Cui@waterboards.ca.gov) at Xiaofei.Cui@waterboards.ca.gov. To be evaluated and responded to by the Los Angeles Water Board staff, included in the Board's agenda folder, and fully considered by the Board, written comments or testimony regarding the tentative must be received no later than **5:00 p.m. on September 11, 2023**. Failure to comply with these requirements is grounds for the Los Angeles Water Board to refuse to admit the proposed written comment or exhibit into evidence pursuant to section 648.4, title 23 of the California Code of Regulations.

HEARING PROCEDURE

The Board meeting, of which this hearing is a part, will start at 9:00 a.m. Interested persons are invited to attend. When the agenda item is called, Los Angeles Water Board staff will present the matter under consideration, after which oral statements from parties or interested persons will be heard. For accuracy of the record, all important testimony should be in writing. The Board will include in the administrative record written transcriptions of oral testimony that is actually presented at the hearing. Oral testimony may be limited to three minutes or less for each interested person, depending on the number of interested persons wishing to be heard.

Parties or interested persons with similar concerns or opinions are encouraged to choose one representative to speak and are encouraged to coordinate their presentations with each other. Parties will be advised after the receipt of public comments, but prior to the date of the hearing, of the amount of time each is allocated for presentations. That decision will be based upon the complexity and number of issues under consideration, the extent to which the parties have coordinated, the number of parties and interested persons anticipated, and the time available for the hearing. The parties are invited to

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contact staff not later than **October 5, 2023** (two weeks prior to the hearing), to discuss how much time they believe is necessary for their presentations, and staff will endeavor to accommodate reasonable requests. At the conclusion of testimony, the Board will deliberate in open or close session, and render a decision.

The Board meeting does not generally require the prior identification of witnesses, the cross examination of witnesses, or other procedures not specified in this notice. Parties or persons with special procedural requests or requests for alternative hearing procedures should contact staff, who will endeavor to accommodate reasonable requests. Objections to any procedure to be used during this hearing must be submitted in writing no later than close of business 15 business days prior to the date of the hearing. (Any objections related to the amount of time allocated for parties' presentations must be submitted within two business days of notice thereof if that date is less than 15 business days before the hearing.) Absent such objections, any procedure not specified in this hearing notice will be waived pursuant to section 648(d) of title 23 of the California Code of Regulations. Procedural objections will not be entertained at the hearing.

If there should not be a quorum on the scheduled date of this meeting, all cases will be automatically continued to the next scheduled meeting on **November 16, 2023**. A continuance will not extend any time set forth herein.

Date: August 10, 2023