# Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

**TO**: Interested Persons

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**SUBJECT**: **NOTICE OF PUBLIC POSTING AND OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON NITROGEN OUTLIER METHODOLOGY FOR LOS ANGELES IRRIGATED LANDS GROUP AND VENTURA COUNTY AGRICULTURAL IRRIGATED LANDS GROUP**

The Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Los Angeles Water Board) is posting the Irrigation and Nutrient Management Report (INMR) outlier methodologies developed by the Irrigated Lands Discharger groups for public comment.

## Background

On September 28, 2023, the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Los Angeles Water Board) adopted Order R4-2023-0353, *Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges from Agricultural Lands within the Los Angeles Region* (Ag Order). The requirements established in the Ag Order ensure that discharges from irrigated agricultural lands do not cause or contribute to an exceedance of applicable water quality objectives or impair beneficial uses of waters of the state within the Los Angeles Region.

Included in the Ag Order is a requirement for each discharger group to develop and submit for approval a nitrogen outlier determination methodology, and that each methodology be publicly posted and available for comment. Both discharger groups, the Los Angeles Irrigated Lands Group and the Ventura County Agricultural Irrigated Lands Group have submitted proposed nitrogen outlier methodologies.

## Availability of Outlier Methodologies and Public Comment Period

The Los Angeles Water Board is soliciting public comments with a comment period ending at 5:00 PM on December 23th, 2026. The Outlier Methodology reports are available as PDF files on the Los Angeles Water Board's FTP site in the "Irrigated

Lands Regulatory Program" folder. Documents can be accessed by using the following website and log-in credentials:

FTP website: https://ftp.waterboards.ca.gov/WebInterface/login.html#/

Username: rb4ftp
Password: cez3qY

Interested persons are encouraged to submit comments electronically to rb4-irrigatedag@waterboards.ca.gov with the subject line "Comment Letter – Outlier Methodology (LAILG or VCAILG)", with a copy to Rene.DeLaFuente@waterboards.ca.gov. Written comments submitted through email are requested to be transmitted in Microsoft Word format.

Where electronic submittal is not feasible, comments should be submitted to:

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