



# **State Water Resources Control Board**

# NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

2019-2020 DRAFT DETERMINATIONS TO
APPROVE MITIGATION MEASURES FOR THE
WATER QUALITY CONTROL POLICY ON THE USE OF
COASTAL AND ESTUARINE WATERS FOR POWER PLANT COOLING

ALAMITOS GENERATING STATION
DIABLO CANYON NUCLEAR POWER PLANT
HARBOR GENERATING STATION
HAYNES GENERATING STATION
HUNTINGTON BEACH GENERATING STATION
ORMOND BEACH GENERATING STATION
REDONDO BEACH GENERATING STATION
SCATTERGOOD GENERATING STATION

# **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will receive public comments on the 2019-2020 draft determinations to approve mitigation measures for the Water Quality Control Policy on the Use of Coastal and Estuarine Waters for Power Plant Cooling (Once-Through Cooling or OTC Policy) for the eight power plants listed above. A separate draft determination is available for each power plant. This notice does not apply to a proposed OTC Policy amendment for the Redondo Beach Generating Station, which will be subject to a separate public comment period. Comments on an OTC Policy amendment will not be accepted pursuant to this notice.

# **Document Availability**

The draft determinations are available on the <u>Interim Mitigation Measures webpage</u>. You may request paper copies of the draft determinations by contacting Jonathan Dolan at (916) 323-0880 or via email at <u>Jonathan.Dolan@waterboards.ca.gov</u>.

# **Submission of Written Comments**

The State Water Board will accept input and recommendations on the eight draft determinations through written comments. Written comments must be received no later than **12:00 noon on June 28, 2021,** and addressed to:

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

Please indicate in the subject line: "Comment Letter – OTC Policy Draft Determinations."

Comment letters may be submitted electronically, in portable document format (PDF) if less than 15 megabytes in total size, to the Clerk to the Board via e-mail at <a href="mailto:commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov">commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov</a>. If the file is greater than 15 megabytes in total size, the comment letter may be submitted by mail, hand delivery, or fax to (916) 341-5620. Couriers delivering hard copies of comment letters must check in with lobby security personnel, who can contact Ms. Townsend at (916) 341-5600.

# **BACKGROUND**

The State Water Board's OTC Policy requires owners and operators of existing power plants to implement measures to mitigate interim impingement and entrainment impacts resulting from their cooling water intake structures. The interim mitigation period commenced on October 1, 2015 and continues up to and until owners or operators achieve final compliance with the OTC Policy. Section 2.C(3) of the OTC Policy provides information required to demonstrate compliance with the interim mitigation requirements. The owners and operators of the eight power plants listed above elected to comply with interim mitigation requirements by providing annual payments to the Ocean Protection Council and State Coastal Conservancy for appropriate projects.

State Water Board Resolution No. 2015-0057 describes the procedures for calculating the interim mitigation payment and approving mitigation measures. In accordance with Resolution No. 2015-0057, the State Water Board prepared annual draft determinations calculating interim mitigation payments and is accepting written comments.

# **CONTACT INFORMATION**

Please direct questions about this notice, the draft determinations, or the OTC Policy's interim mitigation measures to Jonathan Dolan at (916) 323-0880 or at <a href="mailto:Jonathan.Dolan@waterboards.ca.gov">Jonathan.Dolan@waterboards.ca.gov</a> or Katherine Walsh at (916) 445-2317 or at <a href="mailto:Katherine.Walsh@waterboards.ca.gov">Katherine.Walsh@waterboards.ca.gov</a>.

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