

State Water Resources Control Board

REVISED NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

PROPOSED APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE SANTA ANA RIVER BASIN TO REVISE RECREATIONAL STANDARDS FOR INLAND FRESH SURFACE WATERS IN THE SANTA ANA REGION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will accept comments on the proposed approval of the Regional Water Quality Control Board – Santa Ana Region’s (Santa Ana Water Board’s) amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Santa Ana River Basin (Basin Plan) that would revise recreational standards for inland fresh surface waters in the Santa Ana Region. The Basin Plan amendments were adopted by the Santa Ana Water Board on June 15, 2012, and are available for review at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/santaana/water_issues/programs/basin_plan/recreational_standards.shtml.

A copy of the Basin Plan amendments can also be obtained by mail by contacting David Woelfel at (951) 782-7960.

REQUEST NOTICE OF STATE BOARD MEETINGS

The State Water Board will separately publish an agenda for the meeting at which it will consider adopting a resolution approving the Basin Plan amendments. Oral comments at the State Water Board meeting generally will be limited to a summary of the written comments submitted during the written comment period. Persons interested (including those who submit oral or written comments to the Santa Ana Water Board and State Water Board) in receiving notice of the meeting at which the State Water Board will consider approving the Basin Plan amendments **must subscribe** to:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/reg8_subscribe.shtml and check the box for Basin Planning. The State Water Board encourages use of its electronic mailing list. Persons who require notice by regular mail must submit such request to the Santa Ana Water Board contact identified below.

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS

Persons interested in the Basin Plan amendments are encouraged to submit comments electronically. Comment letters **must be received by 12:00 noon on October 1, 2012**. Comment letters received after that deadline will not be accepted unless the State Water Board determines otherwise. Send comments to Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the State Water Board, by e-mail at commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov (**must be no more than 15 megabytes**); fax at (916) 341-5620; or mail or hand delivery at:

Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board
State Water Resources Control Board
1001 I Street, 24th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814


Please also indicate in the subject line, "**Comment Letter—Recreation Standards Amendments by the Santa Ana Water Board**".

REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMITTING COMMENTS (23 Cal. Code Regs., § 3779, subd. (f))
The State Water Board may refuse to accept any comments that do not satisfy all of the following requirements:

1. Comments must specifically address the final version of the Basin Plan amendments adopted by the Santa Ana Water Board.
2. If the Santa Ana Water Board previously responded to a similar or identical comment, the commenter must explain why and in what manner the commenter believes each of the responses provided by the Santa Ana Water Board to each comment was inadequate or incorrect.
3. The commenter also must include either a statement that each of the comments was timely raised before the Santa Ana Water Board, or an explanation of why the commenter was unable to raise the specific comment before the Santa Ana Water Board.

Please direct any questions about this notice to Joanne Schneider, Environmental Program Manager at (951) 782-3287 or jschneider@waterboards.ca.gov; or David Rice, Staff Counsel at (916) 341-5182 or DavidRice@waterboards.ca.gov.

August 29, 2012
Date



Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board