
State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE CENTRAL COASTAL BASIN TO ADOPT TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS FOR TURBIDITY IN THE GABILAN CREEK WATERSHED, MONTEREY COUNTY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will accept comments on the proposed approval of Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board's (Central Coast Water Board's) Resolution No. R3-2022-0002 adopting this amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Central Coastal Basin to adopt Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDL) for Turbidity in the Gabilan Creek Watershed (Basin Plan amendment).

The Central Coast Water Board adopted the Basin Plan amendment on February 18, 2022. The proposed Basin Plan amendment is available for review on the [Central Coast Water Board's project webpage](#).

A copy of the Basin Plan amendment can also be received by postal mail by contacting Peter Meertens at (805) 549-3869 or Peter.Meertens@waterboards.ca.gov.

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 amendment. 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 Central Coast Water Board and State Water Board) in receiving notice of the meeting at which the State Water Board will consider approving the Basin Plan amendment must subscribe to the "Gabilan Creek Turbidity TMDL" email list. Registration for this email list can be found on the Central Coast Water Board's [Email Subscription List webpage](#).

The State Water Board encourages use of its electronic mailing list.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING WRITTEN COMMENTS

Persons interested in the Basin Plan amendment are encouraged to submit comments electronically. Comment letters must be received **by 12:00 noon on May 16, 2022**. Comment letters received after that deadline will not be accepted unless the State Water Board determines otherwise. Written comments must be addressed to Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the State Water Board.

E. JOAQUIN ESQUIVEL, CHAIR | EILEEN SOBECK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Comment letters may be submitted electronically, in pdf format if less than 15 megabytes in total size, and must include the following in the subject line, "**Comment Letter – Gabilan Creek Turbidity TMDL**". Submit electronic comment letters to the Clerk to the Board at the following email:

commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov

If the file is greater than 15 megabytes in total size, then the comment letter may be submitted by fax to (916) 341-5620 or by mail or hand delivery at:

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)

REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMITTING COMMENTS (23 Cal. Code Regs., section 3779, subd. (f))


Comments submitted to the State Water Board must satisfy all the following requirements:

1. Comments must specifically address the final version of the Basin Plan amendment adopted by the Central Coast Water Board.
2. If the Central Coast Water Board previously responded to a similar or identical comment, the commenter must explain why and in what manner the commenter believes the responses provided by the Central Coast 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 Central Coast Water Board, or an explanation of why the commenter was unable to raise the specific comment before the Central Coast Water Board.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Please direct questions about this notice to Peter Meertens at the Central Coast Water Board at (805) 549-3869 or Peter.Meertens@waterboards.ca.gov; or Stephanie Yu, Staff Counsel at (916) 341-5157 or Stephanie.Yu@Waterboards.ca.gov.

Date April 15, 2022



Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board