

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA
REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL COAST REGION**

SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET FOR REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 20-21, 2024

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ITEM NUMBER: 15

SUBJECT: Minor Revisions to the Proposed Amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Central Coastal Basin to Establish Total Maximum Daily Loads for Organophosphate Pesticides and Toxicity in the Lower Salinas River Watershed, Monterey County, California

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OVERVIEW

On June 10, 2024, California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coast Region (Central Coast Water Board) staff received emails from City of Salinas (City) staff with questions about the TMDL Project. On June 13, 2024, Central Coast Water Board staff and City representatives met and discussed the City's questions, including how the malathion monitoring might be consistent with upcoming changes to the City's NPDES stormwater permit monitoring and reporting program (MRP). Following subsequent internal discussions, Central Coast Water Board staff determined that minor revisions to the Basin Plan amendment language would improve the clarity of the monitoring recommendations for malathion.

The revised language does not specify the urban outfall monitoring locations or monitoring frequency (which was specific to the current approved MRP) and instead clarifies the intent of the malathion monitoring: conduct monitoring consistent with the MRP requirements for other pesticide monitoring at urban outfall locations. Therefore, the revised Basin Plan amendment language applies generally to requirements for pesticide monitoring locations and monitoring frequency in the current and any future modifications to the MRP. Revised Basin Plan amendment language (see pages 14-15 in the revised Attachment A to the Resolution - Basin Plan amendment) is shown below using underline and ~~strikeout~~ text:

To comply with the permit terms implementing these TMDLs, the City should include the collection of water samples and laboratory analysis for malathion at ~~their four existing~~ all stormwater outfall locations identified as ~~RD730, RD513, RD518, and 309U19 on a one-time, year one, first flush~~ sample frequency consistent with the existing monitoring program for organics in the NPDES permit, consistent with the monitoring and reporting frequency in that permit.

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt the Resolution as proposed by staff, including the minor revisions shown above.