

NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP - RESCHEDULED
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - POSTPONED

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD, SAN DIEGO REGION

**CONSIDERATION OF CLEANUP REQUIREMENTS FOR
THE SAN DIEGO BAY MARINE SEDIMENTS WITHIN AND ADJACENT TO
NATIONAL STEEL AND SHIPBUILDING COMPANY (NASSCO) AND SOUTHWEST MARINE, INC.
LEASEHOLDS**

PUBLIC WORKSHOP

RESCHEDULED DATE: June 29, 2005 9:00 a.m.

**Regional Board Hearing Room
9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 100
San Diego California 92123-4340**

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PUBLIC WORKSHOP AND REQUEST FOR PUBLIC INPUT

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (Regional Board) is considering the adoption of cleanup requirements for marine sediments located within and adjacent to the NASSCO and Southwest Marine Shipyard leaseholds. Elevated levels of pollutants in these marine sediments are causing or threatening to cause a condition of pollution that unreasonably impairs the suitability of waters of San Diego Bay for three categories of designated beneficial uses: Aquatic Life, Aquatic-Dependent Wildlife, and Human Health.

The Regional Board wishes to obtain public input on what persons should be held accountable for cleanup of the marine sediments, as well as the appropriate level and extent of sediment cleanup. Tentative Cleanup and Abatement Order (CAO) No. R9-2005-0126, which was available for public review on April 29, 2005, includes proposed cleanup levels. A public workshop, originally scheduled for June 1, 2005, is now rescheduled to be held during the June 29, 2005 Regional Board Meeting that begins at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Room at the Regional Board's office. The objective of the workshop is to provide an opportunity for the public to provide comments to Regional Board members on the sediment cleanup and the tentative cleanup and abatement order. The workshop will include informal discussion on the sediment cleanup which will be presented for action at a future Regional Board meeting. There is no voting at workshops.

PUBLIC HEARING POSTPONED

The Public Hearing on the sediment cleanup, originally scheduled for June 29, 2005, has been postponed to a future unscheduled Board meeting date. Please note that the Regional Board Meeting scheduled for June 29, 2005, which is in addition to the regularly scheduled Board meeting for June, will still be held.

WRITTEN COMMENTS

The Regional Board encourages submittal of written comments. Written material received by 5:00 p.m. on June 15, 2005, will be provided to the Regional Board members

prior to the workshop. Written submittals must be mailed or delivered to the Regional Board's office at:

9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 100
San Diego, CA 92123

Written material may also be submitted electronically by FAX (858) 571-6972 (Attn: Agenda for Sediment Cleanup) or e-mail rb9agenda@waterboards.ca.gov (Include the word "Agenda" in the subject line).

Electronic submittals are subject to the above time deadlines and are acceptable as long as the total submittal (including attachments) does not exceed five printed pages in length. In addition to the above described submittal methods, it is requested that all written comments and submittals be submitted to the Regional Board via e-mail in MS Word format.

AVAILABILITY OF TENTATIVE CAO

Tentative CAO No. R9-2005-0126 was available starting April 29, 2005 and may be reviewed at the Regional Board office or on the Regional Board web page at:

<http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego>

Questions concerning this notice may be directed to Mr. Tom Alo at (858) 636-3154 or Talo@waterboards.ca.gov

Please bring the foregoing to the attention of any persons you know who would be interested in this matter.

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John H. Robertus
Executive Officer
May 20, 2005