



San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board

December 2, 2024

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SOLICITATION PERIOD AND WORKSHOP FOR BASIN PLAN TRIENNIAL REVIEW

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board) is accepting input and comments on the 2024 Preliminary List of potential projects identified during the Triennial Review of the Water Quality Control Plan for the San Diego Basin (Basin Plan). The Basin Plan designates beneficial uses for water bodies in the San Diego Region and establishes water quality objectives and implementation plans to protect those beneficial uses. The 2024 Preliminary List is available on the San Diego Water Board’s Basin Triennial Review [website](#). Copies of the 2024 Preliminary List are available upon request from the staff contact below.

Public participation is an important aspect of the Basin Plan triennial review. The San Diego Water Board invites the public to submit comments on the 2024 Preliminary List or any other basin planning issue. Written comments for possible revisions to the Basin Plan, or on the 2024 Preliminary List, will be accepted from December 2, 2024 to February 14, 2025. Written comments received after the deadline may not be considered.

NOTICE IS ADDITIONALLY HEREBY GIVEN that San Diego Water Board staff will hold a public workshop to provide information on the 2024 Preliminary List and solicit input and comments from interested persons regarding the Basin Plan triennial review.

San Diego Water Board staff will conduct the public workshop at the following time and location:

Date	Time	Location
January 29, 2025	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM	2375 Northside Drive, Suite 100 San Diego, CA 92108 (see below for registration details)

The public workshop will occur with both a physical meeting location and an option to participate remotely.

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Those interested in attending the workshop virtually must register using the following link: https://waterboards.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Jq09ecdDRUWAROnT2zJZXA

Zoom will provide registered individuals with a link to join the workshop via a confirmation email.

This workshop is for informational purposes. While a quorum of the San Diego Water Board may be present, the Board will not take formal action at the workshop. There will be no sworn testimony or cross-examination of interested persons, but the board members and its staff may ask clarifying questions.

Submission of Written Comments

Please submit email comments to sandiego@waterboards.ca.gov, and include “2024 Triennial Review Comment: 458332” in the subject line.

Comments may also be mailed to:
California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region
2375 Northside Drive, Suite 100
San Diego, CA 92108
Attn: Ms. Michelle Santillan

Document Availability

Interested persons may view documents pertaining to the 2024 Triennial Review of the Basin Plan at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/water_issues/programs/basin_plan/tri_review.html

Alternatively, a copy of documents pertaining to the 2024 Triennial Review can be received by mail or email by contacting the San Diego Water Board at (619) 516-1990 or sandiego@waterboards.ca.gov.

Background

To implement the federal Clean Water Act and the State’s Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act, the Basin Plan designates beneficial uses of surface water and groundwater, establishes water quality objectives to protect beneficial uses, sets antidegradation requirements, and describes implementation policies to achieve water quality objectives in the San Diego Region; collectively, these are known as water quality standards. State and federal laws¹ require periodic review and update of the water quality standards and Basin Plan. The Water Board’s review is sometimes referred to as the “triennial” review because federal law requires a review of water quality standards every three years.

¹ State law requires basin plans to be periodically reviewed [Water Code §13240]. Federal law requires water quality standards to be reviewed every three years [Clean Water Act §303(c)(1)].

The purpose of the review is to identify and prioritize possible updates or revisions to water quality standards and other aspects of the Basin Plan. The product of the review is a list of priority projects to be investigated further and, where appropriate, developed into potential Basin Plan amendments.

Staff will present recommendations to the San Diego Water Board at a public hearing following the solicitation period and workshop(s). The Board Hearing is tentatively scheduled for Spring 2025. A Public Hearing Notice will be issued at least 45 days in advance of the Board Hearing. The San Diego Water Board will consider the public comments received and approve a list of priority projects used to guide staff work to update the Basin Plan over the next three years.

Accessibility

Users of a Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) may contact the California Relay Service at (800) 735-2929 or the teletype (TTY) voice line at (800) 735-2922. Individuals who require special accommodation to participate in the public workshop should contact Ms. Michelle Santillan at (619) 521-3369 or Michelle.Santillan@waterboards.ca.gov by January 10, 2025.

Language Interpretation Services

Individuals requiring language interpretation services must contact Michelle Santillan at (619) 521-3369 or Michelle.Santillan@waterboards.ca.gov by January 10, 2025.

Staff Contact

Please direct questions about this notice to Ms. Michelle Santillan at via email at Michelle.Santillan@waterboards.ca.gov.

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