



San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board

Notice Date 11/20/2019

NEW LOCATION: Half Moon Bay Library - Community Room B 620 Correas Street Half Moon Bay, CA 94019

NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP & CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT SCOPING MEETING

Pillar Point Harbor and Venice Beach Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL)

Basin Plan Amendment

Wednesday, December 4, 2019

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board (Water Board) staff will hold a public workshop and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) scoping meeting to seek public input on the scope, content, and potential impacts of the Pillar Point Harbor and Venice Beach Bacteria Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) at the time and location provided above.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Bacterial water quality objectives have been exceeded at the beaches in Pillar Point Harbor and Venice Beach near Half Moon Bay, and thus these beaches are defined as "impaired water bodies" under the Clean Water Act Section 303(d). Because elevated bacteria counts indicate increased risk of bacteria-induced illness, the TMDL will devise a pollution control plan to improve water quality and protect recreational uses in these water bodies. Additional information on the TMDL project can be found at our website.

MEETING FORMAT

The meeting will consist of a public workshop where Water Board staff will describe the TMDL, followed by a question and answer session. Immediately following the workshop, Water Board staff will open a public scoping meeting, pursuant to CEQA (Public Resources Code §21000 et seq.), on the TMDL project. The Water Board is required to evaluate the potential environmental impacts of the TMDL and will incorporate this environmental analysis into the TMDL staff report and Basin Plan amendment. During the scoping session, we will discuss and take comments from the public on the scope and content of the project and its potential environmental impacts. Scoping helps the Water Board identify the range of actions, alternatives, mitigation measures, and potentially significant environmental effects to analyze as we develop the TMDL pollution control plan.

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