
State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF BOARD MEETING

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE SANTA ANA RIVER BASIN TO EXTEND THE SCHEDULE FOR ATTAINING THE MIDDLE SANTA ANA RIVER WATERSHED TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS FOR BACTERIAL INDICATORS IN WET WINTER CONDITIONS

The State Water Resources Control Board will conduct a Board Meeting on December 1, 2026, to consider approval of an amendment to the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region (Santa Ana Water Board) Water Quality Control Plan for the Santa Ana River Basin (Basin Plan) to extend the Wet Winter Conditions compliance deadline for bacterial indicator Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) in the Middle Santa Ana River Watershed (Basin Plan Amendment). The Basin Plan Amendment was adopted by the Santa Ana Water Board on March 13, 2026, via [Resolution No. R8-2026-0014](#). Additional information about the Basin Plan Amendment is provided below.

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[Santa Ana Water Board | Middle Santa Ana River Bacteria TMDL](#)

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Background

In 2005, the Santa Ana Water Board adopted Resolution No. R8-2005-0001, establishing TMDLs for bacterial indicators in Santa Ana River Reach 3, Chino Creek Reach 1, Chino Creek Reach 2, Mill Creek (Prado Area), Cucamonga Creek Reach 1, and Prado Park Lake within the Middle Santa Ana River Watershed. The adopted Bacteria TMDLs included numeric targets based, in part, on the fecal coliform water quality objective specified in the Basin Plan for the protection of body-contact recreation (REC1) in inland surface waters. Alternative numeric targets for *Escherichia coli* (*E. coli*) were also established based on criteria recommended by the United States

Environmental Protection Agency. The compliance dates vary by condition. For Wet Winter Conditions (November 1 through March 31), TMDLs for E. coli need to be met no later than December 31, 2025.

Watershed stakeholders have worked collaboratively to implement projects that support compliance with the Bacteria TMDLs, however, achieving compliance during Wet Winter Conditions has proven more challenging because of the substantially greater volume of stormwater flows that must be managed.

The Basin Plan Amendment adopted by the Santa Ana Water Board would extend the Wet Winter Conditions TMDL compliance deadline from December 31, 2025, to December 31, 2035, and incorporate a Phase 2 Implementation Plan.

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- Website: [Santa Ana Water Board | Total Maximum Daily Loads](#)

October 1, 2026
Date



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