To All Interested Parties:

This is notification that the request for proposals for the 2023 Nonpoint Source (NPS) Grant Program - Clean Water Act section 319(h) is open from **October 3, 2022 through December 19, 2022**.

New this year!! Informational sessions will be available to learn more about the Nonpoint Source Grant Program and to ask questions about application requirements, program requirements, funding timelines, and more! Details about the informational sessions will be announced on this notification list and will also be posted to the NPS Grant Program website

(https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/nps/319grants.html).

The Nonpoint Source Grant Program seeks proposals for projects that reduce runoff of pollution to waters of the state, such as agricultural projects that reduce pesticide and nutrient runoff, improvement or decommission of dirt roads to reduce erosion and sediment runoff, streambank stabilization to reduce erosion, marina programs to reduce toxic discharges from anti-fouling paints on boats, and infrastructure improvements for ranching and livestock operations to reduce erosion and runoff of nutrients and pathogens.

The 2023 Nonpoint Source Grant Program Guidelines (Guidelines), posted on the NPS Grant Program website

(https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/nps/319grants.html), describe program preferences, eligibility requirements, application process and instructions, project selection criteria, and the grant award process. Please note one of the minimum eligibility requirements is to consult with the NPS Grant Coordinator in the corresponding Regional Water Board listed in Appendix 7 of the Guidelines.

Complete proposals are due by **5:00 pm on Monday**, **December 19**, **2022** using the State Water Board's FAAST system at https://faast.waterboards.ca.gov.

For questions or comments about the Nonpoint Source Grant Program, please contact Mike Hanks at Michael. Hanks@waterboards.ca.gov or (916) 341-5558.