
State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE GENERAL PERMIT FOR DISCHARGE OF STORM WATER FROM PHASE II SMALL MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEMS (MS4) DESIGNATING THE HIGH SPEED RAIL AUTHORITY AND DE-DESIGNATING AMTRAK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will receive public comment on the proposed amendment to the General Permit for Discharge of Storm Water from Phase II Small MS4 (Small MS4 General Permit). The proposed amendment to the existing Small MS4 General Permit designates and adds the California High Speed Rail Authority (HSRA) to Attachment B. The proposed amendment also de-designates and removes Amtrak from Attachment B.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Small MS4 General Permit regulates storm water runoff from small municipalities and other “non-traditional” facilities, including universities, prisons, hospitals, military bases, and transit districts. Attachment B of the Small MS4 General Permit lists non-traditional MS4s regulated under the Small MS4 General Permit. During the permit term, the Executive Director of the State Water Board is authorized to make a determination, on a case-by-case basis, that additional small MS4s are to be regulated under the Small MS4 General Permit, or that an MS4 currently designated are to be removed from the Permit requirements. The proposed amendment will revise Attachment B of the Small MS4 General Permit to 1) de-designate and remove Amtrak, and 2) designate and add the HSRA .

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

The proposed amendment to Attachment B of the Small MS4 General Permit is available in redline/strikeout format to more easily identify the proposed changes. The proposed amendment is located on our website at:
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/stormwater/phase_ii_municipal.shtml.

Interested persons may request a paper copy of the proposed amendment and/or the existing Small MS4 General Permit by contacting Mr. Bill Hereth at (916) 341-5688 or bill.hereth@waterboards.ca.gov.

SUBMISSION OF COMMENTS

Interested persons are encouraged to submit their written comments electronically. Written comments must be received no later than **12:00 p.m. (noon) on October 14, 2017** and addressed to:

Jeanine Townsend, Clerk of the Board
State Water Resources Control Board
1001 I Street, 24th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

Comment letters may be submitted electronically, in PDF text format (if less than 15 megabytes in total size), to the Clerk via email at commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov. If the file is greater than 15 megabytes in total size, the comment letter may be submitted by fax at (916) 341-5620. Please indicate in the subject line: **“Comment Letter – Small MS4 Permit Amendment.”**

Persons hand delivering hard copies of comment letters must check in with lobby security personnel, who will contact Ms. Townsend at (916) 341-5600.

OPPORTUNITY TO REQUEST HEARING

Any interested person may request in writing before the close of the written comment period that the State Water Board conduct a public hearing on the proposed amendment to Attachment B of the Phase II General Permit. A request for a public hearing must state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing. Upon review of the request(s), the Executive Director of the State Water Board, at his/her discretion, may schedule a public hearing to take place before consideration of approval of the amendments.

FUTURE NOTICES

Any person desiring to receive future public notices regarding the proposed amendment, including any changes to this public notice, must sign up for the Lyris e-mail list. To sign up for the Lyris list, access the E-mail List Subscription form, check the box for “storm water municipal permitting issues” under the heading of Water Quality, then fill in the required information. The subscription form is located at:
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/swrcb_subscribe.shtml

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mr. Bill Hereth at (916) 341-5688 or bill.hereth@waterboards.ca.gov.

September 14, 2017
Date



Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board