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NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

ON PROPOSED APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE LOS ANGELES REGION TO UPDATE THE BACTERIA OBJECTIVES FOR FRESHWATERS DESIGNATED FOR WATER CONTACT RECREATION BY REMOVING THE FECAL COLIFORM OBJECTIVE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will accept comments on the proposed approval of an amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Los Angeles Region (Basin Plan) that would update the bacteria objectives for freshwaters designated for water contact recreation and limited water contact recreation uses (REC-1 and LREC-1, respectively) by removing the fecal coliform water quality objective (amendment). The amendment, the State Water Board agenda language, and draft resolution are available on the State Water Board's web site at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/tmdl/index.shtml#rb4 or can be received by mail by contacting Nick Martorano at (213) 576-6694. The Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Los Angeles Water Board) adopted the amendment on July 8, 2010 under Resolution No. R10-005. The State Water Board will separately send notice of the meeting at which it will consider approval of the amendment.

Comment letters to the State Water Board **must be received by 12:00 noon on Friday, July 1, 2011**. After that deadline, State Water Board staff will not accept additional written comments unless the State Water Board determines that such comments should be accepted. Please send comments on the proposed State Water Board approval of the amendment to: Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board, by email at (commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov) (if **less than 15 megabytes in size or less**), (916)341-5620 (fax), or by mail or hand delivery addressed to:

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P.O. Box 100, Sacramento, CA 95812-2000 (by mail)
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Please also indicate in the subject line, "**Comment Letter – Removal of REC-1 and LREC-1 Fecal coliform objectives.**"

Incorporation of Comments by Reference: Comments must specifically address the version of the amendment that is currently being considered for approval by the State Water Board. If similar or identical comments were submitted to the Los Angeles Water Board, the commenter must explain why and in what manner each of the responses provided by the Los Angeles Water Board to each comment was inadequate or incorrect. If the comment does not include such an explanation, the State Water Board will presume that the Los Angeles Water Board's response adequately addressed the commenter's concern.

California Environmental Protection Agency

Please direct questions about this notice to Nick Martorano, Division of Water Quality, at (213) 576-6694 (nmartorano@waterboards.ca.gov) or Steven H. Blum, Senior Staff Counsel at (916) 341-5177 (sblum@waterboards.ca.gov).

June 3, 2011

Date

Jeanine Townsend

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