



State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

PROPOSED APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE LOS ANGELES REGION (BASIN PLAN) TO INCORPORATE A TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD FOR DEBRIS IN NEARSHORE AND OFFSHORE SANTA MONICA BAY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will accept comments on the proposed approval of Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board's (Los Angeles Water Board) amendment to the Basin Plan that would incorporate a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for Debris in Nearshore and Offshore Santa Monica Bay (Basin Plan amendment). The Basin Plan amendment was adopted by the Los Angeles Water Board on November 4, 2010, and is available for review at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/water_issues/programs/tmdl/tmdl_list.shtml

A copy of the Basin Plan amendment can also be received by mail by contacting Stefanie Hada at (213) 576-6804 or shada@waterboards.ca.gov.

The State Water Board will separately publish an agenda for the meeting at which it will consider adopting a resolution approving the Basin Plan amendment. Oral comments at the State Water Board meeting generally will be limited to a summary of the written comments submitted during the written comment period. Persons interested in receiving notice of the State Water Board's agendas and meetings may subscribe to the State Water Board's electronic mailing list (under the general topic "Board Meetings") at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/swrcb_subscribe.shtml.

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS. Persons interested in the Basin Plan amendment are encouraged to submit comments electronically. Comment letters **must be received by 12:00 noon on October 13, 2011**. Comment letters received after that deadline will not be accepted unless the State Water Board determines otherwise. Send comments to Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the State Water Board, by email at commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov (**must be no more than 15 megabytes**); fax at (916) 341-5620; or mail or hand delivery at:

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Please also indicate in the subject line, "**Comment Letter - Santa Monica Bay Marine Debris TMDL.**"

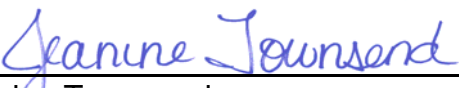
Requirements for Submitting Comments (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, § 3779, subd. (f)). The State Water Board may refuse to accept any comments that do not satisfy all of the following requirements:

- a. Comments must specifically address the final version of the Basin Plan amendment adopted by the Los Angeles Water Board.
- b. If the Los Angeles Water Board previously responded to a similar or identical comment, the commenter must explain why and in what manner the commenter believes 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.

Please direct any questions about this notice to Stefanie Hada, Environmental Scientist at Los Angeles Water Board, at (213) 576-6804 or shada@waterboards.ca.gov, or Jennifer Fordyce, Staff Counsel, at (916) 324-6682 or jfordyce@waterboards.ca.gov.

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Date



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Clerk to the Board