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NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE NORTH COAST REGION TO INCORPORATE A TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD (TMDL) FOR SEDIMENT AND TEMPERATURE IN THE SCOTT RIVER WATERSHED

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will now accept additional comments on an amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan (Basin Plan) for the North Coast Region that would establish a TMDL for sediment and temperature in the Scott River Watershed. **Comments must be limited to specifically how to improve the implementation plan and specific recommendations on flow options that the State Water Board might take in the watershed.**

The proposed amendment and the State Water Board item language and draft resolution are available on the State Water Board's Web site at <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/tmdl/tmdl.html> or by request. The proposed amendment was adopted by the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (North Coast Water Board) on December 7, 2005. The State Water Board will consider the proposed amendment at the June 7, 2006 Board meeting. The meeting will be noticed separately.

Under the terms of the TMDL, the North Coast Water Board will require implementation actions to achieve the sediment and temperature related water quality standards in the Scott River Watershed. The implementation actions are designed to encourage and build upon on-going restoration and enhancement efforts in the watershed.

Comment letters to the State Water Board must be received by 5 p.m. on May 10, 2006.

After the May deadline, State Water Board staff will not accept additional written comments unless the State Water Board determines that such comments should be accepted or unless changes are made to the proposed resolution before the State Water Board meeting. Please send comments on the proposed amendment to:

Song Her, Clerk to the Board, by email at commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov, (916) 341-5620 (fax), or addressed to State Water Resources Control Board, 1001 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. Please also indicate in the subject line, "Comment Letter - Sediment and Temperature TMDL in the Scott River Watershed."

Please direct questions about this notice to Rik Rasmussen, Division of Water Quality, at (916) 341-5549 or rrasmussen@waterboards.ca.gov or Senior Staff Counsel Steven H. Blum at (916) 341-5177 or sblum@waterboards.ca.gov.

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