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## State Water Resources Control Board

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### **Video and Teleconference Meeting During COVID-19 Emergency**

Due to the COVID-19 emergency, and as authorized by Government Code section 11133, this meeting will take place online only.

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## **Notice of Public Meeting**

### **Tooleville Mutual Non-Profit Water Association Potential Consolidation with the City of Exeter**

**December 7, 2021**

**6:00pm - 8:00pm**

**[https://bit.ly/Tooleville Consolidation](https://bit.ly/Tooleville_Consolidation)**

**Virtual & Phone Participation Only**

#### **PURPOSE**

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) invites you to attend a public meeting to learn about the potential for the Tooleville Mutual Non-Profit Water Association (Tooleville Mutual) to consolidate with the City of Exeter. The consolidation would provide safe drinking water to people served by Tooleville Mutual.

The meeting will also include an opportunity for the public to ask questions and provide comments regarding the potential consolidation. The public can submit questions and comments now through **December 14, 2021**.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The inability of Tooleville Mutual to reliably and consistently provide safe drinking water has led the State Water Board to propose the consolidation with the City of Exeter. Consolidation is the joining of two or more water systems. This typically includes a smaller system being absorbed into a larger water system. Benefits of consolidation include spreading costs over a larger customer base and sharing water resources. As a result, the water systems become more resilient and better equipped to provide safe drinking water.

Tooleville Mutual is a community water system with a population of 340 residents served through 77 service connections. Tooleville Mutual provides groundwater to its customers through two active wells that have had historic detections of hexavalent chromium and nitrate.

On July 7, 2021, the State Water Board issued Order No. 03-24-21D-002 requiring technical reporting in response to drought. The State Water Board identified Tooleville Mutual as facing a potential future water shortage at their groundwater source. On July 21, 2021 the State Water Board issued a Boil Water Notice due to a water outage. During the water outage, Tooleville Mutual relied on bottled water as there are no on-site tanks to deliver hauled water. On July 22, 2021, water service was returned to Tooleville Mutual.

To date, Tooleville Mutual has failed to maintain an adequate pressure throughout its distribution system. Water pressure drops from 50 pounds per square inch (psi) in the mornings to 20 psi by the late afternoon, as measured at the well sites. Tooleville Mutual consistently fails to provide an adequate supply of safe drinking water.

### **MEETING LOGISTICS:**

If you wish to join the meeting in English by Zoom or phone:

Zoom: [https://bit.ly/Tooleville\\_Consolidation](https://bit.ly/Tooleville_Consolidation)

Phone: +1-669-900-9128 Meeting ID: 962 7894 6689

If you wish to join the meeting in Spanish by Zoom or phone:

Zoom: [https://bit.ly/Tooleville\\_Consolidation](https://bit.ly/Tooleville_Consolidation)

Phone: +1-916-255-4044; No code needed

### **LANGUAGE SERVICES**

This meeting will be in English and offer Spanish language interpretation services. For questions regarding language services, or to request sign language services or language interpretation for a language other than Spanish, please submit your request no later than **November 23, 2021** by contacting Marina Pérez at (916) 322-4265 or [SAFER@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:SAFER@waterboards.ca.gov).

### **ACCESSIBILITY**

Telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) users may contact the California Relay Service at: (800) 735-2929 or voice line at (800) 735-2922.

### **MEETING MATERIALS**

Meeting materials and details on remote participation can be requested by emailing [SAFER@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:SAFER@waterboards.ca.gov) or calling 916-445-5615.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS - SUBMIT IN ANY LANGUAGE BY DECEMBER 14, 2021**

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