
State Water Resources Control Board

REVISED
NOTICE OF
STAFF PUBLIC WORKSHOP AND ADOPTION MEETING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE STATEWIDE INDUSTRIAL
GENERAL STORM WATER PERMIT ¹

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will hold a staff workshop to ~~receive public input and comments on provide information and respond to technical questions regarding~~ the proposed amendment to the Statewide Industrial General Storm Water Permit (General Permit), ~~and the revisions made per including recent revisions made in response to previously-submitted~~ public comments. The proposed General Permit Amendment addresses the implementation of previously-adopted Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs), the new federal Sufficiently Sensitive Methods Rule, and statewide Compliance Options.

State Water Board staff will hold a staff workshop on this matter on:

Wednesday, October 24, 2018
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Joe Serna Jr. - CalEPA Headquarters Bldg.
Byron Sher Auditorium
1001 I Street, Second Floor
Sacramento, CA, 95814

A quorum of the State Water Board may be present at the workshop; however, no State Water Board actions will be taken at the workshop. The deadline for written comments for the amendments to the General Permit closed on February 14, 2018, but staff will be conducting this workshop to assist the public in understanding the proposed amendments. No new evidence will be accepted at the staff workshop.

Further information regarding the staff workshop is located on the State Water Board Industrial Storm Water Program webpage at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/stormwater/tmdl_igp.shtml.

¹ Draft Amendment to the Statewide General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for the Discharge of Storm Water Associated with Industrial Activities

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NOTICE IS ADDITIONALLY HEREBY GIVEN that the State Water Board will consider the adoption of the General Permit Amendment at its regularly scheduled Board meeting on:

Tuesday, November 6, 2018 - 9:30 a.m.
Joe Serna Jr. - CalEPA Headquarters Bldg.
Coastal Hearing Room
1001 I Street, Second Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

Additional information on the public meeting is located on the State Water Board web site at: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/calendar/.

For any questions regarding the State Water Board staff workshop or the State Water Board adoption meeting, please contact Ms. Shuka Rastegarpour at (916) 341-5576 or shuka.rastegarpour@waterboards.ca.gov.

WEBCAST INFORMATION

Video and audio broadcasts of the staff workshop and the public meeting will be available via the internet and can be accessed at: <https://video.calepa.ca.gov/>. Both the staff workshop and the public meeting will be recorded.

BACKGROUND

On April 1, 2014, the State Water Board adopted Order 2014-0057-DWQ for statewide regulation of storm water discharges associated with industrial activities (General Permit). The General Permit includes a reopener for the State Water Board to incorporate Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) implementation requirements through a future permit amendment (Sections VII.A.1 and XX.A of the General Order). The proposed General Permit Amendment incorporates requirements that implement existing TMDLs adopted by the San Francisco Bay, Santa Ana, Los Angeles, and San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Boards identifying industrial storm water as a source of the receiving water impairment.

On August 19, 2014, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) promulgated the new *Use of Sufficiently Sensitive Test Methods for Permit Applications and Reporting Rule* for discharges regulated by NPDES permits. The new Rule became effective on September 18, 2014, after the existing Statewide Industrial General Permit was adopted. The new Rule requires NPDES permittees to use “sufficiently sensitive” analytical test methods for the analyses of regulated pollutants or pollutants parameters. The proposed General Permit Amendment includes revised monitoring and reporting requirements for industrial storm water sampling consistent with the new Rule.

Per existing General Permit requirements, the Regional Water Boards released draft TMDL implementation language in March 2016 for public comments prior to submitting the draft language to the State Water Board for consideration. In December 2016, State Water Board staff held focused stakeholder meetings with interested parties that submitted public comments regarding the Regional Water Boards’ draft TMDL-implementation language during the March 2016 public comment period. During subsequent collaborative stakeholder meetings, the proposed statewide compliance options were initially proposed by stakeholders and further developed by staff. The proposed General Permit Amendment includes statewide compliance options to allow permit compliance through onsite and/or regional storm water capture best management practices, in lieu of conventional compliance with numeric action levels and numeric effluent limitations.

The draft amendment to the General Permit and supporting documentation was released to the public on December 15, 2017. Following a series of staff workshops in December 2017, a public comment period for the proposed General Permit Amendment was held, starting on **January 5, 2018, December 15, 2017,** with a deadline of February 14, 2018. A State Water Board Hearing was held on January 9, 2018, for staff to discuss the scope of the released proposed Amendment, and for the Board to hear **verbal** oral public comments prior to the written public comment due date.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

The proposed General Permit Amendment, **including recent revisions to the amendment made in response to public comments,** and corresponding information is available on the State Water Board web site at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/stormwater/industrial.shtml.

PROCEDURAL MATTERS FOR THE STAFF WORKSHOP

At the staff workshop, participants will be given an opportunity to ask technical questions of State Water Board staff.

PROCEDURAL MATTERS FOR THE ADOPTION MEETING

At the State Water Board adoption meeting, participants will be given an opportunity to summarize their comments in oral presentations. No new evidence (e.g. photographs, data, testimony) may be submitted at the adoption meeting and all comments will be treated as non-evidentiary policy statements. To ensure a productive and efficient meeting in which all participants have an opportunity to participate, oral presentations may be time-limited. Participants planning to use a Power Point presentation must submit the file electronically, in .ppt. format, to the Clerk via email at commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov, no later than 12:00 p.m. (noon) on Thursday, November 1, 2018. Please indicate in the subject line "Power Point Presentation – Industrial General Permit Amendment Adoption Meeting."

For presentation recommendations, go to:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/meetings/board_presentations.html at our website.

FUTURE NOTICES

Any person desiring to receive future notices concerning the proposed amendment, including any changes to this public notice, must sign up on the Lyris e-mail list. To sign up for the Lyris list, access the email List Subscription Form at the web address listed below, click the "Water Quality" tab, and check the box for "Storm Water Industrial Permitting Issues," then fill in the required information. The subscription form is located at:

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

PARKING AND ACCESSIBILITY

For directions to the Joe Serna, Jr. (CalEPA) Building and public parking information, please refer to the map on the State Water Board website:

<http://www.calepa.ca.gov/headquarters-sacramento/location/>.

The CalEPA Building is accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to call (916) 341-5254 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) users may contact the California Relay Service at (800) 735-2929 or voice line at (800) 735-2922.

All visitors to the CalEPA Building are required to sign in and obtain a badge at the Visitor Services Center located just inside the main entrance (10th Street entrance). Valid picture identification may be required. Please allow up to 15 minutes for receiving security clearance.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please direct questions about this notice to Ms. Shuka Rastegarpour at (916) 341-5576 or shuka.rastegarpour@waterboards.ca.gov.

October 2, 2018

Date



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Clerk to the Board