

**Notice of Public Hearing**  
**On Proposed**  
**RESOLUTION NO. R1-2018-0025**

**Approving**

**The Water Quality Trading Framework  
for the Laguna de Santa Rosa Watershed**

**Sonoma County**

On the basis of staff recommendations and the application of lawful standards and regulations, the California North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) proposes to adopt Resolution No. R1-2018-0025 approving the Water Quality Trading Framework for the Laguna de Santa Rosa Watershed (WQT Framework). The WQT Framework provides the City of Santa Rosa and the Town of Windsor with an optional means for complying with “no net loading” effluent limitations for total phosphorus established in National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permits for their wastewater treatment facilities (Order Nos. R1-2013-0001, NPDES No. CA0022764 and R1-2013-0042, NPDES No. CA0023345, respectively).

A public workshop was held on June 29, 2017 during a regular meeting of the Regional Water Board to provide project background information and to receive oral comments on the draft Resolution and WQT Framework. The draft documents were open for public review and written comment between **June 14, 2017** and **July 21, 2017**. The proposed Resolution and WQT Framework contain revisions made in response to comments received.

*Public Hearing Procedures*

A public hearing to consider comments on the proposed Resolution and WQT Framework is scheduled during a regular meeting of the Regional Water Board as follows:

**Date:** July 11, 2018  
**Time:** 8:30 AM  
**Location:** Regional Water Board Hearing Room  
5550 Skylane Boulevard, Suite A  
Santa Rosa, California

Please be aware that hearing dates, times, and locations may change. Interested parties should periodically check the Regional Water Board’s webpage for the current meeting agenda and up-to-date information about the hearing:

[https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast/board\\_info/board\\_meetings/](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast/board_info/board_meetings/)

At the public hearing, the Regional Water Board will consider whether to affirm, reject, or modify the proposed Resolution and WQT Framework.

All written comments that were timely received by **July 21, 2017** will be distributed to the Regional Water Board members and interested persons (duplicates omitted). These records will become a permanent part of the administrative record for this public hearing.

Time limits for oral testimony or comments by interested parties at the hearing will be set by the Regional Water Board Chair and are subject to change. These time limits normally allow no more than 3 minutes per party. All speakers are expected to honor these time limits. Any interested person may provide testimony at this public hearing. In an effort to be fair to all people who wish to provide testimony, the Regional Water Board Chair may choose to use a timer to ensure that individuals stay within the set time limits. In an effort to avoid unnecessarily repetitive testimony, the Chair also requests that one spokesperson be selected to speak on behalf of many individuals when those individuals share a common affiliation or interest.

#### Document Review

The proposed Resolution, WQT Framework, and related documents will be made available on the Regional Water Board's website at least ten (10) days before the subject hearing at: [https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast/board\\_info/board\\_meetings/07\\_2018/](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast/board_info/board_meetings/07_2018/) Additionally, the proposed Resolution, WQT Framework, and related documents may be inspected or copied at the Regional Water Board office located at 5550 Skylane Boulevard, Suite A, Santa Rosa, California. Appointments are recommended for document review. Appointments can be made by calling (707) 576-2220.

Matthias St. John  
Executive Officer

June 11, 2018