

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION
11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114

REVISED NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
concerning

TENTATIVE ORDER

WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
PORT OF STOCKTON
DENMAR NATURAL SODA ASH EXPORT TERMINAL PROJECT
SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY

Discharger and Tentative Order Information

A tentative Waste Discharge Requirements Order (Order) is proposed for the Port of Stockton (Permittee), Denmar Natural Soda Ash Export Terminal Project (Project) in San Joaquin County. The 101-acre Project will remediate soils to address historical contamination areas within the site and develop a soda ash export terminal. Several wetland areas are in and near contaminated areas that will require remediation of hazardous substances in soils through excavation or capping.

The tentative Order provides details of the proposed Project activities, including compensatory mitigation measures planned to compensate for the permanent loss of waters of the state and requiring avoidance and minimization measures to reduce on-site impacts during construction activities. The tentative Order describes technical conditions required to be met throughout the implementation of construction activities that allow for activities to meet Basin Plan objectives and other regulatory requirements.

Public Hearing Date and Location

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) meeting scheduled for:

DATE: 17/18 February 2022

TIME: 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: Remote Meeting via Video Teleconference

This public meeting is currently scheduled to take place via video and teleconference, but the format may be changed in the future. Any person wishing to obtain information about changes to the date, time, location, or format of the meeting should visit the [Board's website](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings) (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings).

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(https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/) will be available at least **10 days** before the meeting. The agenda will provide the anticipated date the hearing will be held for this item and the anticipated order of all agenda items; however, the Board may consider agenda items out of their listed order. The agenda materials may include staff revisions to the proposed order.

The [laws and regulations governing](#) this adjudicatory proceeding may be found under California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 648 et seq. and are available upon request.

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Prehearing Submission of Written Comments and Evidence

The written public comment period has closed for this item. The tentative Order was issued for a 30-day public comment period from 11 August through 10 September 2021. No public comments were received.

Written materials submitted will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record absent a ruling by the Board Chair. Any party requesting to submit late materials must demonstrate good cause for the late submission, and the Chair must find that the late submission would not prejudice the Central Valley Water Board or any designated party. Excluded material will not be considered by the Board.

Visual Presentations

Hearing participants may use PowerPoint or other visual presentations at the hearing, but the presentation content shall not exceed the scope of previously submitted written material. Presentations, if any, must be provided to the Central Valley Water Board by **12:00 p.m. on 14 February 2022**. Please contact Nicholas White at Nicholas.White@waterboards.ca.gov.

Hearing Procedure and Time Limits

The hearing on the tentative Order will be conducted in the general order listed under California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 648.5, except that the Board Chair may modify the order for good cause.

The Permittee will be advised in advance of the hearing of the total amount of time allocated for its presentation, including any witness examination, and closing statement. The Permittee is invited to contact staff in advance of the hearing to discuss how much time it believes is necessary.

Interested persons may speak at the hearing and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals, if any. Each interested person will have three minutes to present oral comments. Additional time may be provided, upon request, at the discretion of the Board Chair.

Hearing Accommodations

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to send an e-mail to agenda5@waterboards.ca.gov or calling (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 18007352922.

Availability of Documents

A copy of the tentative Order and related documents are available on the Central Valley Water Board's website [Tentative Orders Page](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/) (http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/).

A copy of the tentative Order and related documents are also available upon request by contacting Nicholas White by email at Nicholas.White@waterboards.ca.gov or by phone at (916) 464-4856.

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