

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

NOTICE TO EXTEND DEADLINE FOR WRITTEN COMMENTS TO 20 MAY 2013
and
NOTICE OF RE-SCHEDULED BOARD CONSIDERATION DATE
Concerning

Amendments to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River Basins (the "Basin Plan") for the Control of Diazinon and Chlorpyrifos

This Notice updates a Notice that was previously issued on 25 February 2013.

The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board or Board) is developing a program to regulate discharges of the pesticides chlorpyrifos and diazinon into selected surface waters. The Board is proposing amendments to the Basin Plan that would incorporate this program into the Basin Plan. The regulatory program includes:

- New diazinon and chlorpyrifos water quality objectives for water bodies throughout the Sacramento and San Joaquin River Basins, below the major dams.
- Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for diazinon and chlorpyrifos for approximately 40 water bodies in the Sacramento and San Joaquin River Basins
- Revisions to existing TMDLs and control programs for diazinon and chlorpyrifos discharges to the Sacramento, Feather, and San Joaquin Rivers and the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.
- Policies and monitoring programs that address alternative pesticides to diazinon and chlorpyrifos.

At a 12 April 2013 Board hearing, the Board elected to extend the deadline for written comments on the proposed Basin Plan Amendments and supporting Staff Report (also referred to as "Substitute Environmental Documentation" or SED) by 31 days. The new deadline for written comments is **20 May 2013**. This notice is to advise that the Board is proposing to amend the Basin Plan pursuant to a regulatory program exempt from the requirement to prepare an environmental impact report under the California Environmental Quality Act. (Pub. Res. Code, § 21080.5.; Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15251(g).) Written comments must be submitted to the email address (below) or the postal address (above) by the new deadline in order for them to be included in the administrative record.

Due to the comment period extension, the public meeting where the Board will consider taking action with respect to the proposed Basin Plan Amendments and supporting Staff Report/SED has been re-scheduled from 30 to 31 May 2013 to the following date and location:

Date: 25 to 26 July 2013 (Please contact staff two weeks prior to the meeting for the exact date.)
Time: 8:30 a.m.
Place: Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
11020 Sun Center Drive, #200
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

19 April 2013

NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD EXTENSION and
NOTICE OF RE-SCHEDULED BOARD CONSIDERATION DATE

This item will **not** be heard at the 30/13 May Board Meeting. At the July 2013 Board hearing, the Board will receive oral testimony regarding the proposed Basin Plan Amendments and/or any other relevant issues. Board staff will provide the Board with recommendations regarding the proposed Basin Plan Amendments, and will discuss changes made in response to comments received. At the July meeting, the Board may adopt the Basin Plan Amendments as proposed, or it may adopt them with changes consistent with the general purpose of the proposed amendments, or it may defer from taking any action at this time.

Copies of the 25 February 2013 Notice, the proposed Basin Plan Amendments and draft Substitute Environmental Documentation may be obtained at

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water_issues/tmdl/central_valley_projects/central_valley_pesticides/index.shtml

Copies can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley Water Board's office at 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114, on weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Staff contact information: Daniel McClure, (916) 464-4751, dmclure@waterboards.ca.gov.

Oral testimony will be limited in time by the Board Chair. Groups are encouraged to designate a spokesperson. All exhibits presented at the hearings, including charts, graphs, and other testimony, must be left with the Board and will become part of the administrative record. The meeting facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 at least five working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.



Kenneth Landau, Assistant Executive Officer

19 April 2013

Date