CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD, SAN DIEGO REGION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD, PUBLIC WORKSHOP AND PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF THE CLEAN WATER ACT SECTIONS 305(B) AND 303(D) INTEGRATED REPORT FOR THE SAN DIEGO REGION¹

PUBLIC WORKSHOP 2:00 p.m. Monday, October 12, 2009 San Diego Water Board Hearing Room 9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 100 San Diego, California 92123-4340

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board) is considering adoption of changes to the Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 303(d) list of impaired waterbodies. and CWA Section 305(b) Integrated Report on the water quality of waterbodies within the San Diego Region. Clean Water Act Section 305(b) requires each state to report biennially to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) on the guality of its waters. CWA Section 303(d) requires each State to develop, update, and submit biennially to the U.S. EPA a list of waterbodies or segments that are "impaired or threatened" which either do not meet, or not expected to meet, water quality standards before the next listing cvcle. In addition, waterbodies on the 303(d) list can be delisted when evidence establishes that the impairment(s) does not exist and the waterbody is meeting water quality standards, or that the impairment listing is flawed. Impaired waterbodies or segments on the 303(d) list must be addressed through the development of TMDLs or by other means as described in the State's Water Quality Control Policy for Addressing Impaired Waters. Upon adoption, the Integrated Report will be submitted to the State Water Resources Control Board. These changes are not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

OCTOBER 12 PUBLIC WORKSHOP

Interested persons are invited to attend a public workshop on October 12, 2009 beginning at 2:00 p.m. at the offices of the San Diego Water Board. The objective of the workshop is to discuss public comments about the Integrated Report. PUBLIC HEARING 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, November 18, 2009 San Diego Water Board Hearing Room 9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 100 San Diego, California 92123-4340

NOVEMBER 18 PUBLIC HEARING

The San Diego Water Board will hold a public hearing on November 18, 2009, at a meeting beginning at 9:00 a.m. The San Diego Water Board will consider the proposed 305(b) and 303(d) Integrated Report and public comments, including recommendations for changes to the proposed report, will deliberate, and may adopt the Integrated Report at the close of the public hearing.

REQUEST FOR PUBLIC INPUT

Interested persons are invited to attend a public hearing to present testimony. Oral statements will be heard, but for accuracy, testimony should be presented in writing. It is expected that oral statements will reflect and summarize written comments previously submitted to the Regional Board during the public comment period. **The** deadline for submitting written comments is 5:00 p.m. on October 26, 2009, to allow staff to make written responses to comments publicly available prior to the public hearing. Written comments and responses to comments will be provided to the San Diego Water Board members in advance of the public hearing. Comments should be submitted in either MS WORD or pdf format by email to: CTest@waterboards.ca.gov. Comments on paper may also be submitted, but electronic format is preferred.

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AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS

Informational documents related to this matter have been be available since August 31, 2009, and may be

¹ This Notice supersedes the public comment period deadline of September 14, 2009, and public hearing date of October 14, 2009, in the Public Hearing Notice issued on August 31, 2009.

reviewed at the San Diego Water Board office or on the web page at

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/water_issues/p rograms/303d_list/index.shtml. For additional information please contact Ms. Cynthia Gorham-Test at (858) 467-2957.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Parking is available at the office location. See the San Diego Water Board web site for a map to the workshop and hearing location. The workshop and hearing room facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals who require special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Lori Costa at (858) 467-2357 at least 5 working days prior to the November 18, 2009 hearing. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922. Questions concerning this notice may be directed to Ms. Amy Mecklenborg at (858) 637-7139.

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