



**STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH MEETINGS
FOR
PROPOSED STATEWIDE GENERAL PERMIT FOR
DISCHARGES FROM NATURAL GAS COMPANIES**

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is proposing to develop a new Statewide General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for discharges from hydrostatic testing and site dewatering activities of natural gas facilities. State Water Board staff will be conducting informational and stakeholder input meetings to describe the need for the proposed statewide permit and to solicit stakeholder input regarding the scope and issues to be addressed in the permit. The following meetings have been scheduled.

<p>May 8, 2015, 9:30 AM-12:00 PM Cal-EPA Building, Training 1 West 1001 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 (Parking in various lots and garages)</p>	<p>To join the meeting online:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Go to: https://waterboards.webex.com/waterboards/j.php?MTID=m01f99eaa5504b11180bbd3464d11f36e 2. Enter your name and email address. 3. Enter the meeting password: npdes 4. Click "Join Now" <p>To join the teleconference:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Call 1-877-972-9705 2. Enter access code: 199 278 0
<p>May 21, 2015, 1:00 PM-3:30 PM Southern California Gas Company's Energy Resource Center 9240 E. Firestone Blvd., Downey, CA 90241 (Parking is free at rear of building)</p>	<p>To join the meeting online:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Go to: https://waterboards.webex.com/waterboards/j.php?MTID=m62937e48b598d2ba5c1976b8c9015be7 2. Enter your name and email address. 3. Enter the meeting password: npdes 4. Click "Join Now" <p>To join the teleconference:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Call 1-877-972-9705 2. Enter access code: 199 278 0

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Meeting Discussion Topics:

1. Overview of the Clean Water Act requirements and federal NPDES Permits
2. Purpose and need for statewide permit
3. General permit development with stakeholder input
4. State Water Board and Regional Water Quality Control Board compliance requirements

Questions for Stakeholder Consideration:

1. What are your concerns regarding a statewide general NPDES permit to regulate discharges due to hydrostatic testing and site dewatering for natural gas facility?
2. What types of permit requirements are appropriate for the discharges?
3. What type of monitoring and reporting will provide useful information for affected parties and at the same time ensure beneficial uses of receiving waters are protected from the discharges?

State Water Board staff will present information about the program at the beginning of each meeting. Participants then may ask questions and provide comments.

Additional Information:

Staff has created an electronic subscription mailing list for the Statewide General NPDES Natural Gas Utilities Permit. To subscribe to the list to receive periodic announcements and updates via email, click on this link and follow instructions below: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/swrcb_subscribe.shtml.

1. Enter your email address and full name in the required spaces.
2. Click on the Water Quality title bar to view its content.
3. Check the Gas Utilities Statewide General NPDES Permit box. You may also check the box for any other programs you would like to subscribe to.
4. Click on the Subscribe button to the right of the location in which your email address and full name was entered. You are now subscribed to the mailing list.

If you have any questions regarding the proposed general permit, please contact Ariana Villanueva at (916) 341-5775 or ariana.villanueva@waterboards.ca.gov. The website for this permit is under construction and will be available soon.