



State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

PROPOSED APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE CENTRAL COASTAL BASIN TO ESTABLISH TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS (TMDLS) FOR NITROGEN AND PHOSPHORUS COMPOUNDS IN STREAMS OF THE FRANKLIN CREEK WATERSHED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will accept comments on the proposed approval of the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board's (Central Coast Water Board) amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Central Coastal Basin (Basin Plan) that would establish TMDLs for nitrogen and phosphorus compounds in streams of the Franklin Creek watershed. The Central Coast Water Board adopted the Basin Plan amendment on March 23, 2018 (Resolution No. R3-2018-0006), and is available for review at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/tmdl/docs/carpinteria_mars/ h/index.html

A copy of the Basin Plan amendment can also be received by postal mail, by contacting TMDL lead staff Larry Harlan at (805) 594-6195 or Larry.Harlan@waterboards.ca.gov.

REQUEST NOTICE OF STATE WATER BOARD PUBLIC MEETING. The State Water Board will separately publish an agenda for the public meeting at which it will consider adopting a resolution, and approving this Basin Plan amendment. Oral comments at the State Water Board meeting generally will be limited to a summary of the written comments submitted during the written comment period. Persons interested (including those who submit oral or written comments to the Central Coast Water Board and State Water Board) in receiving notice of the meeting at which the State Water Board will consider approving this Basin Plan amendment **must subscribe** to the Central Coast Water Board's electronic email list located at: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/reg3_subscribe.html. On this webpage check the box for "Franklin Creek Nutrients TMDL (Carpinteria Marsh)", provide your email address and name, then click on the "subscribe" button. The State Water Board encourages use of its electronic mailing list. Persons who require notice by postal mail must submit such request to the Central Coast Water Board TMDL lead staff contact identified above.

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS. Persons interested in this Basin Plan amendment are encouraged to submit comments electronically. Comment letters **must be received by** 12:00 noon on October 18, 2018. Comment letters received after that deadline will not be accepted unless the State Water Board determines otherwise. Send comments to Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the State Water Board, by email to <u>commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov</u> (file must be no more than 15 megabytes); fax at (916) 341-5620; or postal mail or hand delivery to:

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Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board State Water Resources Control Board P.O. Box 100, Sacramento, CA 95812-2000 (mail) 1001 I Street, 24th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814 (hand delivery)

Please also indicate in the subject line, "Comment Letter-Franklin Creek Nutrient TMDL".

REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMITTING COMMENTS. (23 Cal. Code Regs., § 3779, subd. (f)). The State Water Board may refuse to accept any comments that do not satisfy all of the following requirements:

- 1. Comments must specifically address the final version of the Basin Plan amendment adopted by the Central Coast Water Board.
- 2. If the Central Coast Water Board previously responded to a similar or identical comment, the commenter must explain why and in what manner the commenter believes each of the responses provided by the Central Coast Water Board to each comment was inadequate or incorrect.
- 3. The commenter also must include either a statement that each of the comments was timely raised before the Central Coast Water Board, or an explanation of why the commenter was unable to raise the specific comment before the Central Coast Water Board.

Please direct any questions about this notice to TMDL lead staff Larry Harlan at the Central Coast Water Board, at (805) 594-6195 or <u>Larry.Harlan@waterboards.ca.gov</u>. All legal questions should be directed to Stephanie Yu, staff counsel at (916) 341-5157 or <u>Stephanie.Yu@waterboards.ca.gov</u>.

September 14, 2018

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