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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Thursday, December 5, 2019
10:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Klamath Room
Joe Serna Jr. CalEPA Building
1001 I Street, Sacramento

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the California Water Quality Monitoring Council will meet to discuss issues relating to its responsibilities pursuant to California Senate Bill 1070 (Statutes of 2006).

BACKGROUND

The California Water Quality Monitoring Council (Monitoring Council) was established as mandated by [California Senate Bill 1070 \(Statutes of 2006\)](#) which requires the boards, departments and offices within the California Environmental Protection Agency (Cal/EPA) and the Natural Resources Agency to integrate and coordinate their water quality and related ecosystem monitoring, assessment, and reporting.

[Monitoring Council members](#) include representatives from Cal/EPA, the Natural Resources Agency, drinking water, stormwater, publicly owned treatment works, agriculture, citizen monitoring groups, the public, the scientific community, and water supply. The Monitoring Council is also required to consult with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, whose representative attends Monitoring Council meetings in a non-voting capacity.

The Monitoring Council develops specific recommendations to improve the coordination and cost-effectiveness of water quality and ecosystem monitoring and assessment; enhances the integration of monitoring data across departments and agencies; and increases public accessibility to monitoring data and assessment information.

The Monitoring Council, in coordination with the State Water Resources Control Board, recommended a "[comprehensive monitoring program strategy](#) that utilizes and expands upon the state’s existing statewide, regional, and other monitoring capabilities and describes how the state will develop an integrated monitoring program that will serve all of the state’s water quality monitoring needs and address all of the state’s waters over time.”

MEETING PURPOSE AND DESCRIPTION

The purpose of this meeting is for the Monitoring Council to plan further implementation of their comprehensive monitoring program strategy and to develop additional recommendations to the Cal/EPA Secretary. Meeting topics will include:

- Public Forum: opportunity for stakeholders to address items not on the agenda
- Strategic Subcommittee Meeting Update
- Active Monitoring Council Workgroup annual update and needs assessment
- 2020 Monitoring Council planning

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

The meeting agenda and related information will be available on the following website:
https://mywaterquality.ca.gov/monitoring_council/meetings/

MEETING ACCESS

The meeting will be webcast at <https://video.calepa.ca.gov/>. Teleconference details will appear in the agenda.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please direct questions about this notice to the Monitoring Council Director:
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To receive email updates regarding the California Water Quality Monitoring Council, subscribe to the "California Water Quality Monitoring Council (SB 1070)" mailing list under "General Interests" at the following website:
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/swrcb_subscribe.shtml.

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Date



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