

**Summary of Recommended Modifications to the Central Coast Regional Water  
Quality Control Board's Regulation of Timber Harvest Activities**

|    | <b>Step in the Process</b>                  | <b>Current Water Board Action</b>   | <b>Proposed Revision</b>   |
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| 1a | Discharger files THP or NTMP with Cal Fire. | Review 100% of plans submitted.   | Prioritize plans as they come in. (Rely on review team and public for additional input.)   |
| 1b | Program Management                          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Timber tracker</li> <li>• E-mail</li> <li>• Lyrlist List</li> <li>• Speaking with stakeholders</li> <li>• Round tables</li> <li>• CIWQS</li> <li>• Paperless Office</li> </ul> | <p>Water Board staff will continue to manage information and communications.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• E-mail</li> <li>• Lyrlist List</li> <li>• Speaking with stakeholders</li> <li>• Round tables</li> </ul> <p>Have a student assist with data management and paperless office inflow:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Timber Tracker</li> <li>• CIWQS</li> <li>• Paperless Office</li> </ul> |
| 2  | Cal Fire holds first review.                | Participation as appropriate.   | Continue to participate as appropriate.  |
| 3  | Cal Fire holds preharvest inspection.       | Attend inspection. (Note: Staff expectation to attend 100% of inspections.)   | Conduct inspections on high priority plans. Approximately three to five inspections per year.  |
| 4  | Cal Fire holds second review.               | Participation as appropriate.   | Continue to participate as appropriate.  |
| 5  | Cal Fire approves the plan.                 | N/A   | N/A  |

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| 6  | Discharger submits detailed Notice of Intent (NOI). | NOI: Detailed description of harvest.   | NOI: Two page application.   |
|    |   | Tiers I – III: Water Board staff reviews with eligibility criteria and prepare waiver packet.   | Tiers I – III: Discharger receives written approval from Executive Officer within two weeks of submission of complete NOI.   |
|    |   | Tier IV: Present to the Board as Individual Conditional Waivers with site specific recommendations.   | Tier IV: Continue to Present to the Board as Individual Conditional Waivers with site specific recommendations.  |
| 7  | Plan enrolled under MRP.                            | Blanket requirements for photo, storm event-based turbidity, summer temperature, visual, road inventory program, and forensic monitoring. Requirement to notify staff within 48 hours of finding a problem. | Strength of MRP with visual and forensic monitoring with requirement to notify staff within 72 hours of finding a problem. Road inventory program is built into visual inspection requirements. Require photo, storm event based turbidity, or summer temperature monitoring requirements as appropriate for site specific conditions. |
| 7a | Applicant submits annual report on November 15.     | Track and review annual reports.<br><br>Reporting period November 15 of the previous year to November 14 of current year. Discharger is provided with one day to prepare and submit report to Water Board   | Continue to track and review annual reports.<br><br>Modify reporting period to September 30 of previous year to October 1 of current year. Allows Dischargers 45 days lead time to prepare and submit annual report.   |
| 7b | Applicant reaches end of "Year One"                 | Conduct inspection of property. Issue letter signed by the Executive Officer to keep them in "Year One" or graduate them to "Year Two."   | Automatic to "Year Two". Water Board may require Discharger to repeat "Year One" monitoring if appropriate. Water Board will inspect properties as appropriate.  |

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| 7c | Discharger reaches end of "Year Five"                         | Conduct inspection of property and write a letter rescinding their MRP.   | Automatic termination of MRP with receipt of a complete Notice of Termination (NOT) signed by landowner at the end of "Year Five" monitoring. |
| 8  | Discharger notifies Water Board of major or minor amendments. | Water Board staff reviews amendments for potential impact to water quality and record in timber tracker. Modify MRP as appropriate. | No change.  |
|    |   | Enforcement as needed and appropriate.  | Continue to take enforcement as needed and appropriate.   |