

NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP

THE CENTRAL COAST REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD WILL HOLD A PUBLIC WORKSHOP TO RECEIVE INPUT ON SALINAS RIVER MANAGEMENT

The **Public Workshop** will be held:

Thursday, March 6, 2014 - 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Monterey County Government Center Board Chambers
168 W. Alisal Street, 1st Floor, Salinas, California 93901

SUBJECT OF WORKSHOP

The workshop will provide an opportunity for regulatory agencies, landowners, other stakeholders, and the public to provide recommendations to the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Coast Water Board) on short and long term strategies for Salinas River management that allow for flood risk reduction activities while protecting the habitat and other functions of the river.

In addition to presentations by Monterey County Water Resources Agency and Central Coast Water Board staff, there may be panel presentations from groups such as: landowners and agricultural representatives; environmental groups; and government oversight agencies. Additional presenters and/or panels may also be identified. A quorum of Central Coast Water Board members may be present at the workshop and may provide input, pose questions, or provide direction to staff, but will not take action.

During the workshop, the Central Coast Water Board Chair will also provide a public comment period. The Central Coast Water Board Chair will decide how many minutes to allocate to other stakeholders and members of the general public depending on the number of people who want to speak.

BACKGROUND

The Monterey County Water Resources Agency is considering implementing management activities such as sediment and vegetation removal within the Salinas River to reduce flood risk. These management activities may require the Central Coast Water Board to issue permits, such as a Water Quality Certification under Clean Water Act section 401, or Waste Discharge Requirements under California Water Code Section 13260.

CONTACT INFORMATION AND INTERESTED PARTIES LIST

If you would like to be added to the interested parties list to receive future notices, please go to the following web address and follow the instructions to sign up for the "Salinas River - 401 Water Quality Cert" email list: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/reg3_subscribe.shtml.

If you do not have access to a computer and would like to make alternative arrangements, please contact Jennifer Epp at 805-594-6181.

Please direct questions about this notice to Jennifer Epp at jennifer.epp@waterboards.ca.gov or 805-594-6181 or Phil Hammer at phil.hammer@waterboards.ca.gov or 805-549-3882.