



**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL COAST REGION**

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**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. R3-2021-0098
APPROVING THE 2021 TRIENNIAL REVIEW
OF THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN
FOR THE CENTRAL COASTAL BASIN**



WHEREAS, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coast Region (hereafter Central Coast Water Board), finds:

1. The Water Quality Control Plan for the Central Coastal Basin (Basin Plan) was adopted on March 14, 1975 and has been amended since that date.
2. The Basin Plan establishes beneficial uses to be protected, water quality objectives, and a program of implementation needed for achieving water quality objectives for the waters within the Central Coast Region.
3. Section 303(c) of the federal Clean Water Act requires that water quality standards be reviewed and revised, if appropriate, on a triennial basis. Section 13240 of the California Water Code requires basin plans to be periodically reviewed and allows for their revision.
4. The Central Coast Water Board and its staff implemented the 2021 Triennial Review of the Basin Plan by performing the following:
 - a. Reviewing the Basin Plan, the past (2017) Triennial Review priority list, and soliciting proposals from Central Coast Water Board staff to develop a preliminary list of proposed Basin Plan amendments;
 - b. Sending email letters to the Region's electronic mailing list for Basin Planning/Triennial Review, with a notice of opportunity to comment on the preliminary list of proposed Basin Plan amendments during a 45-day public comment period between August 26, 2021 and October 11, 2021;
 - c. Posting the preliminary list of proposed Basin Plan amendments, and a staff report explaining the proposals, on the Central Coast Water Board's internet web page on August 26, 2021;
 - d. Noticing and conducting a public workshop meeting on September 28, 2021 via Zoom videoconferencing software;
 - e. Responding to public comments that were received;
 - f. Revising and evaluating the list of proposed Basin Plan amendments using six priority ranking criteria and consideration of technical staff and other resources to develop proposed amendments; and
 - g. Creating a priority list of proposed Basin Plan amendments based on the availability of technical staff and other resources to develop formal Basin Plan amendments and to develop scopes of work for Basin Plan amendments that are priority for assisting multiple Central Coast Water Board programs in implementing their program goals more effectively.

5. As a result of the 2021 Triennial Review process, Central Coast Water Board staff identified the priority proposals list shown in Attachment 1a.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Central Coast Water Board, in fulfillment of the requirements of section 303(c) of the federal Clean Water Act and section 13240 of the California Water Code, has done the following:

1. Concluded the 2021 Triennial Review of the Basin Plan;
2. Approved the *2021 Priority List of Proposals to be Pursued as Basin Plan Amendments* (Attachment 1a) with acknowledgement that this list does not preclude other Basin Plan revisions, which may become necessary before the next scheduled Triennial Review; and
3. Affirmed that those portions of the Basin Plan which were not proposed for revision as a part of this update process are generally adequate at this time.

I, Matthew T. Keeling, Executive Officer of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coast Region, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coast Region, on December 10, 2021.

Matthew T. Keeling
Executive Officer

Attachment 1a: 2021 Priority List of Proposals to be Pursued as Basin Plan Amendments

ATTACHMENT 1a

The 2021 Triennial Review Priority List of Proposals.

Proposal Number	Proposal Name	Technical Partner/ Program staff****
9	Clarify Uses for Waterbodies Not Specifically Named	Stormwater
18*	Develop and Establish or Clarify Turbidity Water Quality Objectives for Aquatic Life	Cannabis
19	Update Basin Plan to Include all Statewide Objectives	NA – no technical elements
24	Revisions for Table 3-6 - Site-specific Groundwaters	TBD**
28	Update Reference to MCLs	Enforcement
35*	Broaden Applicability - Erosion and Sedimentation Control Action	Irrigated Lands and Stormwater
45*	Establish State Water Quality Protection Areas	California Coastkeeper Alliance***
46*	Develop Protections for Riparian Corridors	Irrigated Lands & Stormwater

* Proposal partially achieves intended goal of 2017 Priority 1 for Watershed and Integrated Water Resource Protection.

** This proposal is a priority for multiple programs; however, development of this Basin Plan amendment will be complex and very resource intensive. Basin planning staff will need to first develop a scope of work, project schedule, and management will identify resources prior to moving forward with a formal Basin Plan amendment.

*** External stakeholder.

**** For each proposal, Basin Planning Program staff will coordinate with the “Technical Partner/Program staff” to develop the technical justification for each Basin Plan amendment. Basin Planning Program staff will also administer the Basin Plan amendment process.