

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

concerning

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION
FOR
WAIVER OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS,
REPORTS OF WASTE DISCHARGE AND/OR WATER RECYCLING
REQUIREMENTS FOR SPECIFIC TYPES OF DISCHARGE
WITHIN THE CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

Water Code section 13269 allows the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (Central Valley Water Board) to waive waste discharge requirements (WDRs), reports of waste discharge (RWDs) and water recycling requirements (WRRs) for specific types of discharge provided it is not against the public interest. Pursuant to Water Code section 13269 the terms and conditions of the waiver must be reviewed and renewed at a public hearing every five years.

The Central Valley Water Board, will hold a public hearing to consider whether to continue to waive WDRs and in some cases RWDs and WWRs for those discharges to land that represent a low threat to water quality within the following categories:

1. Air conditioner, cooling and elevated temperature waters;
2. Fresh water well drilling muds and boring wastes;
3. Disposal of dredge material to land;
4. Inert solid waste disposal;
5. Test pumping of fresh water wells;
6. Swimming pool discharges;
7. Construction – Dewatering operations;
8. Construction – Hydrostatic testing;
9. Agricultural commodity wastes;
10. Disposal of residual waste to land as a soil amendment;
11. Water recycling for construction projects and road dust control;
12. Small, short-term sand and gravel operations;
13. System flushing and filter backwash for water treatment systems; and
14. Short-term vehicle and equipment washing.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Water Board's meeting, scheduled for:

DATE: 14/15 December 2023
TIME: TBD
PLACE: Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region
11020 Sun Center Dr., Suite #200
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

Resolution Adopting Waiver of WDRs, RWDs and/or WRRs
For Specific Types of Discharge Within The Central Valley Region

This public meeting is currently scheduled to take place in-person and via video and teleconference, but the format may change. An person wishing to obtain information about changes to the date, time, location, or format of the meeting should visit the [Central Valley Water Board's website](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/) (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/). The final meeting agenda will be available on the website at least 10 days before the meeting.

Only designated parties will have rights: to call and examine witnesses; introduce exhibits; cross-examine opposing witnesses; impeach any witness; and rebut the evidence against him or her. All other persons wishing to testify or provide comments are interested persons and not designated parties. To request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing, submit a request in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **5:00 p.m. on 16 October 2023**. The request must explain the basis for requesting status as a designated party and in particular how the person is directly affected by the discharge.

Persons wishing to comment on this noticed item must submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board by mail or to centralvalleyfresno@waterboards.ca.gov with the subject "Comments on Low Threat Waiver Renewal". Comments are due no later than **5:00 p.m. on 16 October 2023**. Written evidence or comments received after **5:00 p.m. on 16 October 2023** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record absent a ruling by the Board Chair. Any party requesting to submit late materials must demonstrate good cause for the late submission and the Board Chair must find that accepting the late material will not prejudice the Central Valley Water Board or any designated party. All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Central Valley Water Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Board Chair.

Anyone having questions on the draft Resolution should contact Katie Carpenter at (559) 445-5551. Interested parties may download the [draft Resolution](#) and related documents from the Central Valley Water Board's website at https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/

Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley Water Board's office at 1685 "E" Street, Fresno, California, 93706, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Procedures governing Central Valley Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Central Valley Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained on the [Waterboards' Law and Regulations web page](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/) (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/). Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the [Central Valley Water Board's Meeting and Procedure web page](#)

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(https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/mtgprocd.html)
or by contacting any one of the Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures
should be directed to Mindy Maxwell at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring
special accommodations are requested to contact Mindy Maxwell at (916) 464-4839 at
least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay
Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922. Please bring the above
information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

Original Signed by:

ALEXANDER S. MUSHEGAN , Senior Engineer
(9/11/2023)