

Regional Water Quality Control Board
North Coast Region

Executive Officer's Summary Report
Thursday, November 19, 2015
Regional Water Board Office
Santa Rosa, California

ITEM: 8

SUBJECT: Update on Russian River Watershed Pathogen Indicator Bacteria Total Maximum Daily Load and Action Plan (*Charles Reed, Alydda Mangelsdorf*)

BOARD ACTION: This is an informational item only. No action will be taken by the Regional Water Board.

BACKGROUND: A draft Russian River Watershed Pathogen Indicator Bacteria Total Maximum Daily Load Staff Report and Action Plan (draft Staff Report and TMDL Action Plan) was released for public review on August 21, 2015, for a 45-day public comment period. Three staff-led workshops were held within the Russian River watershed area, including Monte Rio (9/22/15), the City of Ukiah (9/23/15), and the City of Santa Rosa (9/24/15), which were attended by approximately 160 people. During the written public comment period, the Regional Water Board received a total of 84 public comment letters.

DISCUSSION: As a result of public input, staff is carefully evaluating the need for revisions to the draft Staff Report and TMDL Action Plan to address major comments, improve the draft implementation program, and provide better clarity of requirements to affected parties. In this information item staff will:

- 1) Summarize for the Board the major comments received from the public,
- 2) Describe potential revisions to the draft implementation program that may be warranted, and
- 3) Identify next steps for TMDL and Action Plan adoption.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES: NA

SUPPORTING MATERIALS: Russian River TMDL webpage:
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast/water_issues/programs/tmdls/russian_river/