

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
SAN DIEGO REGION**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND WRITTEN COMMENT PERIOD**

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board) is releasing for public review and comment, Tentative Order No. R9-2026-0001, *Amending Order No. R9-2010-0032 Waste Discharge Requirements and Master Reclamation Permit for the City of Escondido, Hale Avenue Resource Recovery Facility and Order No. R9-2023-0131 Waste Discharge Requirements for the City of Escondido Membrane Filtration and Reverse Osmosis Facility* (Tentative Order). The Tentative Order, if adopted, will remove the color effluent limitation and monitoring requirement from Order Nos. R9-2010-0131 and R9-2023-0131.

**Document Availability**

The Tentative Order and related documents are available online at:

[https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/board\\_decisions/tentative\\_orders/](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/board_decisions/tentative_orders/)

Interested persons may receive copies of the Tentative Order by contacting Brandon Bushnell by phone at (619) 521-8044, or by email at [Brandon.Bushnell@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Brandon.Bushnell@waterboards.ca.gov), or by visiting the San Diego Water Board office at 2375 Northside Drive, Suite 100, San Diego, California 92108-2700, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

**Submission of Written Comments**

Notice is hereby given that the San Diego Water Board will accept written comments regarding the Tentative Order in accordance with this notice.

The written comment period provides an opportunity for interested persons to comment on the Tentative Order. All written comments regarding the Tentative Order must be received no later than **5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 9, 2026**, to be considered by the San Diego Water Board. Comments should be submitted by e-mail to [sandiego@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:sandiego@waterboards.ca.gov). The subject line of all written comments must include "Comment – Tentative Order No. R9-2026-0001". Written comments sent can also be sent by mail to: California Regional Water Quality Control Board – San Diego Region, 2375 Northside Drive, Suite 100, San Diego, California 92108-2700, and ATTN: Brandon Bushnell."

The early submission of written comments on the Tentative Order is encouraged. Written comments received by **5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 9, 2026**, will be provided to the San Diego Water Board members for their review in advance of the public hearing to consider the adoption of the Tentative Order. The San Diego Water Board will prepare written responses to significant comments that are timely received. Consistent with State Water Resources Control Board regulations that apply to this proceeding, written comments received after **5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 9, 2026**,

may not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party.

### **Public Hearing for Consideration of the Tentative Order**

The San Diego Water Board will publish a *Meeting Notice and Agenda* in advance of the public hearing for the Tentative Order. The *Meeting Notice and Agenda* will indicate the meeting date, time, location, and may provide other specific information concerning this hearing. The *Meeting Notice and Agenda* will be posted at least two weeks prior to the meeting date at the following webpage:

[https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/board\\_info/agendas/](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/board_info/agendas/)

The procedures governing San Diego Water Board meetings are found in California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 647, et seq., and are available upon request. The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. The *Meeting Notice and Agenda* for this meeting will provide contact information for persons requesting special accommodations.

### **Contact for Further Information**

Please contact Brandon Bushnell by phone at (619) 521-8044, or by email at [Brandon.Bushnell@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Brandon.Bushnell@waterboards.ca.gov), for information regarding the above-proposed action. Please share this information with any person who would be interested in this matter.

Date of Notice: Wednesday, December 10, 2025