



## State Water Resources Control Board

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Dear Ms. Hughes, Mr. Simonelli and Mr. Brosseau:

RE: REQUEST FOR 120-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ON DRAFT INDUSTRIAL STORM WATER PERMIT

On July 18, 2012 the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) released the 2012 Draft National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permit for the Discharge of Storm Water associated with Industrial Activities (2012 Draft NPDES Industrial General Permit - IGP) for public comment.

On July 31, 2012 the Workable Approach to Environmental Regulation (WATER) submitted a letter to Charles Hoppin, Chair of the State Water Board, requesting a 120-day public comment period on the 2012 Draft NPDES Industrial General Permit. On August 20, 2012, the California Stormwater Quality Association (CASQA) submitted a letter making essentially the request. Both of these letters were referred to me for a response.

We have decided to extend the public comment period an additional thirty (30) days. Thus, comments on the 2012 Draft NPDES Industrial General Permit may be submitted on or before 12:00 p.m. (Noon) on October 22, 2012. We will communicate the revised deadline to all interested parties.

The State Water Board still plans to conduct a public hearing to accept oral comments on **October 17, 2012.** A quorum of State Water Board members may be present at the public hearing; however, no board action will be taken. The time and location of the public hearing is:

Wednesday, 9:00 a.m. October 17, 2012 Joe Serna, Jr. Cal/EPA Building Coastal Hearing Room 1001 I Street, Second Floor Sacramento, CA 95814 If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Greg Gearheart of my staff by phone at (916) 341-5892, or via e-mail at <a href="mailto:ggearheart@waterboards.ca.gov">ggearheart@waterboards.ca.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

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