



State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF STAFF WORKSHOP AND OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC INPUT ON PROPOSED REGULATIONS

August 23, 2022, 10:00 a.m. PDT

Remote participation only via Zoom http://waterboards.zoom.us/j/93667897895
Speaker card form

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board or State Board) staff will hold a public staff workshop to present information and solicit public input regarding proposed revisions to California Code of Regulations, title 23, sections 831, 907, 915, 920, 924, 925, 929, and 930. These proposed revised regulations have been posted to the State Water Board's <u>Division of Water Rights</u> <u>Proposed Regulation Modifying Water Right Ownership Notice Requirements and Reporting Dates website</u>. The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking was published in the California Regulatory Notice Register on July 15, 2022.

The Staff Workshop will be held on August 23, 2022 at 10 a.m. PDT on Zoom.

PROPOSED REGULATIONS

Revisions are proposed to California Code of Regulations, title 23, sections 831, 907, 915, 920, 924, 925, 929, and 930.

The purpose of the proposed regulations is to:

- Provide the public with increased understanding of the obligations to notify the board of changes in ownership of water rights, agency and/or contact information:
- Protect the State's water resources by ensuring the State Water Board can efficiently and effectively administer the water rights system;
- Ensure compliance with water rights regulations with fair, transparent, and efficient enforcement of State Water Board regulations; and
- Align water right reporting periods and dates.

At the staff workshop, State Board staff will provide an overview of the proposed regulations and provide the opportunity for public comment. Oral comment provided at the staff workshop is not a substitute for providing written comments. As noted in the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, the deadline to submit written comments on the proposed regulations is **August 31, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.**

E. JOAQUIN ESQUIVEL, CHAIR | EILEEN SOBECK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

WORKSHOP PARTICIPATION INFORMATION

If you wish to view the workshop only, a webcast will be available at https://video.calepa.ca.gov (closed captioning available).

If you would like to make oral comments, ask clarifying questions, or give a presentation during the workshop, please fill out the <u>speaker card form</u> by noon on August 16 and join using the <u>Zoom link</u> on August 23. Comments should address revisions to the proposed regulations and will be limited to 3 minutes per speaker unless you request to make a presentation.

If you wish to make a PowerPoint presentation at the staff workshop, please indicate so on the online form and submit to Molly.Williams@waterboards.ca.gov by 12 noon on August 16. Presentations must be in PowerPoint format, ADA accessible, and should not include any animations, transitions or external media sources. Please be aware that State Water Board staff will be projecting and advancing PowerPoint slides during presentations. If multiple speakers plan to present on a similar topic, we encourage combining slides and presenting together as a panel. Only one form needs to be submitted per group that includes the names of all panelists.

While a quorum of the State Water Board may be present, this workshop is to provide a brief overview of the revised proposed regulations and for the public to provide comments. The Board will not take formal action. Additional information regarding State Water Board meetings and workshops is available on the <u>Board's online calendar</u>. If you have any questions regarding how to participate in the workshop, you may contact Molly Williams, Environmental Scientist, at (916) 860-7833 or via email at <u>Molly.Williams@waterboards.ca.gov</u>.

WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS

Pursuant to the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking published in the California Regulatory Notice Register on July 15, 2022 and posted on the State Water Board's <u>Division of Water Rights Proposed Regulation Modifying Water Right Ownership Notice Requirements and Reporting Dates website</u>, written public comments must be received by Jeanine Townsend, Clerk of the Board, **no later than 5:00 p.m. on August 31, 2022**.

Written comments may be submitted as follows:

- By email to <u>commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov.</u> The State Water Board requests but does not require that email transmission of comments, particularly those with attachments, contain the regulation package identifier "Comment Letter – Proposed Regulation Modifying Water Right Ownership Notice Requirements and Reporting Dates" in the subject line to facilitate timely identification and review of the comment;
- 2. By fax transmission to: (916) 341-5620. The State Water Board requests but does not require that faxed comments contain the subject line: "Comment Letter Proposed Regulation Modifying Water Right Ownership Notice Requirements and Reporting Dates";

- 3. By mail to: Clerk to the Board, Ms. Jeanine Townsend, State Water Resources Control Board, P.O. Box 997377, MS 7400, Sacramento, CA 95899-7377; or
- Hand-delivered to: Clerk to the Board, Ms. Jeanine Townsend, State Water Resources Control Board, 1001 I Street, 24th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

For more information concerning the proposed regulations, visit the <u>Proposed</u> Regulation Modifying Water Right Ownership Notice Requirements and Reporting Dates website.

FUTURE NOTIFICATIONS

To receive future notices concerning the proposed regulations, sign up for the Lyris email distribution list on the <u>State Water Board Email Lists page</u> (Expand "Water Rights," select the box "Water Rights Reporting Notification." and provide the requested information).

CONTACT

Individuals who require special accommodations are requested to contact Molly Williams, Environmental Scientist, at (916) 860-7833 or via email at Molly.Williams@waterboards.ca.gov prior to the workshop. If you have any questions regarding this notice or the State Water Board's ongoing rulemaking process, you may send an email to commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov or you may contact Jeanine Townsend, Clerk of the Board, at (916) 341-5600 or via email at Jeanine.Townsend@waterboards.ca.gov

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