



State Water Resources Control Board



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To: FERC Project # 2100 Interested Persons

DRAFT WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION FOR THE OROVILLE FACILITIES, FERC # 2100

State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) staff has prepared a draft Clean Water Act Section 401 water quality certification for the Oroville Hydroelectric Project (FERC Project No. 2100). This water quality certification is tentatively scheduled for consideration by the State Water Board at its Board meeting on Tuesday, August 3, 2010. The State Water Board issues formal notice with the location and time of public meeting approximately ten days prior to such meetings. All State Water Board notices of public meeting and agendas are posted on the State Water Board's website, at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/calendar/index.shtml.

On January 21, 2010, the State Water Board issued a draft water quality certification for the Oroville Project for public review and comment. Changes were made to the draft water quality certification in response to comments received. The current draft shows the changes made to the January 21 draft in underline and strikethrough.

All written comments on the current draft must be received by the Board by **12 Noon on Friday, July 23, 2010**. Written comments are to be addressed and submitted to:

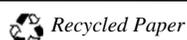
Jeanine Townsend
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You may also submit your comments to Ms. Townsend by fax at (916) 341-5620, by email at commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov, or by hand delivery to the following address:

Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board
Executive Office
State Water Resources Control Board
Cal/EPA Headquarters
1001 "I" Street, 24th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814-2828

Couriers delivering comments must check in with lobby security and have them contact the Executive Office on the 24th floor at 916-341-5600.

California Environmental Protection Agency



Please include in the subject line, "**COMMENT LETTER – 8/3/10 BOARD MEETING: OROVILLE DRAFT WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION.**" Any faxed or emailed items must be followed by a mailed or delivered hard copy with an original signature.

The draft water quality certification is located on the State Water Board's web site at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/water_quality_cert/ceqa_projects.shtml

If you cannot access the document online, you may request a copy by contacting Russ Kanz. If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact Marianna Aue, Staff Counsel, at maue@waterboards.ca.gov or (916) 327-4440, or Russ Kanz, Staff Environmental Scientist, at rkanz@waterboards.ca.gov or (916) 341-5341.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jeanine Townsend". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board