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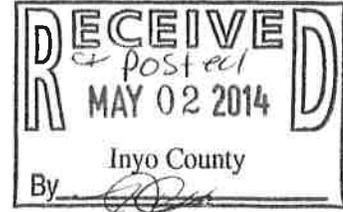


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## State Water Resources Control Board

25 April 2014

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### **TRANSMITTAL OF A NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND ADOPTION OF A GENERAL ORDER FOR RECYCLED WATER USE**

As required by Public Resources Code, section 21092, and California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15072, the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is hereby transmitting a *Notice of Public Meeting and Notice of Intent (NOI) to Consider Approval of a Negative Declaration and Adoption of a General Order for Recycled Water Use* for posting in the County Clerk's office for a period of 30 days. Please display the enclosed document with the other California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) notices your office posts, and remove them no sooner than 30 days later.

Pursuant to California Government Code, section 6103, "Neither the state. . . nor any public officer or body, acting in his or her official capacity on behalf of the state. . . shall pay or deposit any fee for the filing of any document or paper, for the performance of any official service." Therefore, payment of a fee is not required for posting the NOI.

The State Water Board is preparing a General Waste Discharge Requirements Order for Recycled Water Use (General Order). The adoption of the General Order involves a discretionary action by the State Water Board; therefore, it is considered a project and is subject to environmental review pursuant to CEQA. The State Water Board is the lead agency for the CEQA evaluation.

If you have any questions regarding this transmittal, please contact me by e-mail at [david.balgobin@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:david.balgobin@waterboards.ca.gov), or by phone at (916)341-6914.

Original signed by

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State Water Resources Control Board

Enc.: Notice of Public Meeting and Notice of Intent

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**TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND  
ADOPTION OF A GENERAL ORDER FOR RECYCLED WATER USE**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will hold a public meeting to receive public comments on proposed General Waste Discharge Requirements for Recycled Water Use (General Order) and an associated California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Initial Study/Negative Declaration (Negative Declaration). The State Water Board may adopt the General Order and approve the Negative Declaration at the end of the meeting. The location and time of the public meeting is provided below.

**Tuesday, June 3, 2014 – 9:00 a.m.  
Joe Serna Jr. - Cal/EPA Headquarters Building  
Coastal Hearing Room  
1001 I Street, Second Floor  
Sacramento, CA 95814**

**BACKGROUND**

The State Water Board is preparing a General Order that will be used by the Regional Water Quality Control Boards (Regional Water Boards) to streamline permitting of recycled water uses that typically are a relatively low threat to water quality. Recycled water is water which, as a result of treatment of waste, is suitable for reuse that would not otherwise occur.

The source of recycled water is primarily treated domestic wastewater. The General Order does not authorize direct or indirect potable uses of recycled water, but will authorize use of recycled water for beneficial uses such as irrigation of crops, dust control, and certain industrial processes. The General Order will allow the use of recycled water that would meet the water recycling regulations and reuse criteria specified in the California Code of Regulations, title 22, division 4, chapter 3 (title 22), with the exception of groundwater recharge activities. Title 22, prescribes water recycling and reuse criteria protective of public health. When recycled water is used in compliance with the title 22, recycled water is safe for approved uses.

**AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS**

The proposed General Order and Draft Initial Study/Negative Declaration are available at [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\\_issues/programs/land\\_disposal/waste\\_discharge\\_requirements.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/land_disposal/waste_discharge_requirements.shtml). For those without Internet access, please contact David Balgobin at (916) 341-6914 or [david.balgobin@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:david.balgobin@waterboards.ca.gov) to obtain the documents.

### **SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS**

The State Water Board will accept both written and oral comments on the proposed General Order and Initial Study/Negative Declaration. Written comments must be received by **12:00 noon on May 27, 2014** and be addressed to:

Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board  
State Water Resources Control Board  
1001 I Street, 24th Floor  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Comment letters may be submitted electronically (e-mail), by facsimile, U.S. Mail, or courier. Please indicate on the transmittal subject line:

**“Comment Letter – General Order WDRs for Recycled Water Use and/or Negative Declaration and Initial Study.”**

Electronic submittals shall be in pdf text format (less than 15 megabytes in total size), to the Clerk to the Board via e-mail at [commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov). If the file is greater than 15 megabytes in total size, then the comment letter may be submitted by fax at (916) 341-5620. U.S. Mail must be received (not postmarked) at the State Water Board offices by the close of the comment period; the mail address is presented above. Couriers delivering comment letters must check in with lobby security personnel, who can contact Ms. Townsend at (916) 341-5600.

### **PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

At this meeting, there will be no sworn testimony or cross-examination of participants. However, the State Water Board and its staff may ask clarifying questions. Participants will be given an opportunity to summarize and supplement their written materials with oral presentations. To ensure a productive and efficient meeting in which all participants have an opportunity to participate, oral presentations may be time-limited. For other presentation recommendations, please go to the State Water Board's web site at:

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board\\_info/meetings/board\\_presentations.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/meetings/board_presentations.shtml).

### **PARKING AND ACCESSIBILITY**

For directions to the Cal/EPA Building and public parking information, please refer to the map on the State Water Board web site at: <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/EPAbldg/location.htm>.

The Cal/EPA Building is accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to call (916) 341-5880 at least five working days prior to the meeting. TDD users may contact the California Relay Service at (800) 735-2929 or voice line at (800) 735-2922.

A web broadcast of the meeting will be available via the Internet and can be accessed at: <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast/>.

All visitors to the Cal/EPA Building are required to sign in and obtain a badge at the Visitor Services Center located just inside the main entrance (10th Street entrance). Valid picture identification may be required. Please allow up to 15 minutes for receiving security clearance.

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

Please direct all questions regarding the proposed General Order and/or Initial Study/Negative Declaration documents to David Balgobin by telephone at (916) 341-6914 or by email at [david.balgobin@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:david.balgobin@waterboards.ca.gov).

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April 25, 2014  
Date

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