
State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP

**ON THE SALTON SEA MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AND DRAFT STIPULATED
ORDER FOR FUTURE ACTION BY THE STATE WATER BOARD**

Thursday, September 7, 2017

This item will not be heard before 11:00 a.m.

Joe Serna, Jr. CalEPA Headquarters Building
Coastal Hearing Room
1001 I Street, Second Floor
Sacramento, CA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will hold a public workshop to receive information and solicit public input regarding the Salton Sea Management Program and Draft Stipulated Order for Future Action by the Board at its regularly scheduled meeting.

BACKGROUND

On October 28, 2002, the State Water Board issued [Order WRO 2002-0013](#)¹ that approved the long-term transfer of water from the Imperial Irrigation District to the San Diego County Water Authority, the Coachella Valley Water District and the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California. On November 18, 2014, the Imperial Irrigation District filed a Petition for Change seeking modification of Revised Order WRO 2002-0013. In May 2015, Governor Edmund G. Brown, Jr. established the Salton Sea Task Force to identify realistic short and medium term goals to respond to potential air quality and ecological impacts resulting from scheduled reduced flows of fresh water to the Salton Sea. As a part of the Salton Sea Task Force, the State Water Board regularly monitors and assesses progress on the implementation of the Salton Sea Task Force's Salton Sea Management Program, and has held five public workshops as part of this function.

On March 15, 2017, the Imperial Irrigation District submitted a Motion for Evidentiary Hearing to the State Water Board regarding potential modification of [Revised Order WRO 2002-0013](#). As a result of the motion, a Draft Stipulated Order has been developed for consideration by the State Water Board. For copies of the Motion for Evidentiary Hearing and Draft Stipulated Order, as well as more information about the background and history of the State Water Board's involvement with the Salton Sea, please visit the State Water Board's web page at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/salton_sea/

¹On December 20, 2002, the State Water Board issued [Order WRO 2002-0016](#), which revised Order WRO 2002-0013.

ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION AT WORKSHOP

The purpose of the workshop is for the State Water Board to receive information and solicit public input regarding the Salton Sea Management Program and the Draft Stipulated Order. This workshop is for informational purposes and no formal action will be taken. At a later date, the State Water Board may consider a resolution to adopt the Draft Stipulated Order.

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS

Interested persons must submit written comments by **12:00 Noon on Friday, September 1, 2017** as follows:

- For submittals less than 15 megabytes in total size, interested persons should email the submittal to Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board, at commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov. Please indicate in the subject line: **“Comment Letter: Salton Sea”**.
- For submittals more than 15 megabytes in total size, interested persons should: (1) email a summary of their written information to Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board, at commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov; and (2) mail or hand deliver any additional information on a CD/DVD. For emails and other correspondence, please indicate in the subject line: **“Comment Letter: Salton Sea”**.
 - Mail should be postmarked by the comment deadline indicated above and addressed as follows:

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

- Hand deliveries should be delivered by the comment deadline indicated above to the following address:

Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board
State Water Resources Control Board
Joe Serna, Jr.-CalEPA Headquarters Building
1001 I Street, 24th Floor, Sacramento, CA

Interested persons with hand deliveries must check in with the Visitor and Environmental Services Center on the first floor of the Joe Serna, Jr.-CalEPA Headquarters Building who will contact State Water Board staff to pick up any hand deliveries. Couriers delivering comments must check in with lobby security and have them contact Jeanine Townsend at (916) 341-5600.

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

This workshop will be held as part of a routine meeting of the State Water Board. While a quorum of the State Water Board may be present, the State Water Board will not take formal action at the workshop. There will be no sworn testimony or cross-examination of interested persons, but the State Water Board and its staff may ask clarifying questions.

At the workshop, interested persons will be given an opportunity to summarize and supplement any written comments with oral presentations. To ensure a productive and efficient meeting in which all interested persons have an opportunity to participate, oral comments or presentations at the workshops 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

- Any presentation materials must be submitted in accordance with the same procedures and deadlines for written comments described above, except that: (1) the subject line should indicate: "**Presentation: Salton Sea**"; and (2) presentations must be submitted in electronic Powerpoint (.pptx) format.

WEBCAST OF WORKSHOP

A broadcast of the meeting will be available at: <https://video.calepa.ca.gov/>

TRAVEL, ACCESSIBILITY, AND SECURITY

Information regarding travel to the Joe Serna, Jr.-CalEPA Headquarters Building is available at: <http://calepa.ca.gov/headquarters-sacramento/location/>

The Joe Serna, Jr.-CalEPA Headquarters Building is accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals who require special accommodations are requested to call (916) 341-5254 at least five working days prior to the meeting. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may contact us using the California Relay Service Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) at (800) 735-2929 or voice line at (800) 735-2922.

All visitors to the Joe Serna, Jr.-CalEPA Headquarters Building are required to sign in and obtain a visitor's badge at the Visitor and Environmental 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.

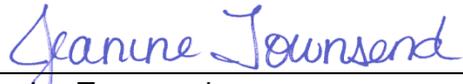
INFORMATION REGARDING WORKSHOP

Please direct any inquiries concerning this notice to Mitchell Moody at (916) 341-5383 or mitchell.moody@waterboards.ca.gov.

Additional information is available at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/salton_sea/

August 18, 2017
Date



Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board