STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD BOARD MEETING SESSION - DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY JUNE 5, 2007

ITEM 5

SUBJECT

INFORMATION ITEM: CIWQS EXTERNAL REVIEW UPDATE

DISCUSSION

The California Integrated Water Quality System (CIWQS), one of the Water Boards' data systems for tracking water quality regulatory information, is being reviewed by an expert external review panel. This review was requested by the Board to address concerns regarding the system's operability. The panel had its first three-day meeting from May 8 through May 10. The panel is currently preparing a document that contains their preliminary findings and recommendations. That report is likely to take two months to produce. A second follow-up review is scheduled to occur December 19 and 20 to assess the Board's progress on addressing the panel's recommendations. To allow staff to immediately begin responding to the preliminary recommendations, a panel spokesperson will present the findings and recommendations of the panel.

POLICY ISSUE

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