

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
and
NOTICE OF FILING OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS
concerning
Amendments to the Water Quality Control Plan for
the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River Basins to revise
Water Quality Objectives for pH and Turbidity

The Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (Central Valley Water Board) will hold a public hearing to consider adoption of the proposed amendments to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Sacramento and San Joaquin River Basins (Basin Plan) to revise the water quality objectives for pH and turbidity. Staff will be proposing for Regional Board consideration to delete the parts of the pH objective that limit the change in pH to 0.5 units and the allowance of averaging periods for pH. Staff will also be proposing that turbidity be limited to no more than 2 NTUs when the natural turbidity is less than 1 NTUs. As part of amending the Basin Plan, the Water Board will consider certification of the draft environmental documents prepared pursuant to Section 21080.5 of the Public Resources Code and Title 23 California Code of Regulations sections 3775-3782. After hearing testimony, the Central Valley Water Board may choose to act on the proposal, select an alternative evaluated in the Staff Report, select an alternative with revisions, or may choose to continue or close the hearing and vote on the proposal at a future meeting. The public hearing, to be conducted during the October 2007 Central Valley Water Board meeting, is scheduled at the time and location noted below:

Date: 25 to 26 October 2007

Time: To be determined. Please contact staff two weeks prior to the meeting for a projected time at which this matter will be heard.

Place: Regional Water Quality Control Board office
11020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

Draft environmental documents, which conclude that these amendments will have no impact on the environment, have been prepared for the proposed amendments.

Interested persons may download the draft staff report for the proposed Basin Plan amendments, which includes the environmental documentation required under CEQA, in PDF format from the Central Valley Water Board's Internet website at

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/available_documents/index.html
under the heading **Basin Plans**. Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley Water Board's office at 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

