



Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board

NOTICE OF CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING

In the Matter of Proposed Amendments to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Santa Ana River Basin (Basin Plan) related to Copper and other Metals Impairments in Newport Bay

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region, staff will hold a CEQA scoping meeting pursuant to California Public Resources Code Section 21083.9. The scoping meeting will provide participants the opportunity to comment on the appropriate scope and content of the "functionally equivalent" substitute environmental document that will be prepared in support of the Basin Plan amendments. The substitute environmental document will be prepared pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080.5, and the State Water Resources Control Board's regulations related to Certified Regulatory Programs (Title 23, Section 3775 et seq.).

In 2002, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) promulgated Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) to address water quality standards impairments in Newport Bay resulting from toxic substances, including copper and other metals. The proposed Basin Plan amendments would establish revised Metals TMDLs that would replace those promulgated by USEPA.

The purpose of the scoping meeting is to provide a forum for early public consultation regarding the environmental issues that should be considered in the development of the proposed Basin Plan amendments. This consultation will assist the Regional Board in identifying the range of actions, alternatives, mitigation measures, and significant environmental effects to be analyzed prior to the decision-making process. A project summary may be found on the Regional Board website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/santaana/water_issues/programs/tmdl/tmdl_metals.shtml. *If you are a marina, boatyard, sailing or yacht club, or public agency, please post this notice so that individual boaters will be informed of this meeting.*

Two scoping meetings will be held at the following times and location (the same information will be presented at both meetings):

DATE: July 23, 2015
TIME: 1:30 to 3:30pm, and 6:00 to 8:00pm
LOCATION: City of Newport Beach, Community Room
100 Civic Center Dr.
Newport Beach, CA 92660

Any person who is disabled and requires special accommodation to participate in the meeting should contact Felipa Carrillo (951-782-3285) no later than 10 days before the scheduled meeting. We request that those in attendance at the meetings refrain from the use of perfumes, colognes or other fragrances to accommodate those with allergy sensitivities.

For additional information, please contact Linda Candelaria, PhD at (951) 782-4991 or RB8-CuTMDL@Waterboards.ca.gov.