



# California Water Quality Monitoring Council

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING CALIFORNIA WATER QUALITY MONITORING COUNCIL

Wednesday, June 15, 2011  
9:00 AM to 4:00 PM  
Conference Room  
Association of California Water Agencies  
910 K Street, Suite 100, Sacramento

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the California Water Quality Monitoring Council will meet to discuss issues relating to its responsibilities pursuant to CA Senate Bill 1070 (Kehoe, 2006).

### BACKGROUND

In November 2007, a [Memorandum of Understanding \(MOU\)](#) was signed by the Secretaries of the California Environmental Protection Agency (Cal/EPA) and the California Natural Resources Agency to establish the California Water Quality Monitoring Council (Monitoring Council). The MOU was mandated by [CA Senate Bill 1070 \(Kehoe, 2006\)](#) and requires the boards, departments and offices within Cal/EPA and the Natural Resources Agency to integrate and coordinate their water quality and related ecosystem monitoring, assessment, and reporting.

Monitoring Council members include representatives from Cal/EPA, the Natural Resources Agency, the Department of Public Health, the public, citizen monitoring groups, regulated publicly owned treatment works, regulated stormwater, agriculture, and water supply interests, and the scientific community. The Monitoring Council is also required by SB 1070 to consult with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, whose representatives attend all Monitoring Council meetings.

SB 1070 and the MOU require that the Monitoring Council develop specific recommendations to improve the coordination and cost-effectiveness of water quality and ecosystem monitoring and assessment, enhance the integration of monitoring data across departments and agencies, and increase public accessibility to monitoring data and assessment information. While the Monitoring Council may recommend new monitoring or management initiatives, it will build on existing effort to the greatest extent possible.

SB 1070 and the MOU require that the Monitoring Council, in coordination with the State Water Resources Control Board, recommend a “comprehensive monitoring program strategy that utilizes and expands upon the state’s existing statewide, regional, and other monitoring capabilities and describes how the state will develop an integrated monitoring program that will serve all of the state’s water quality monitoring needs and address all of the state’s waters over time.” Those [recommendations](#) were submitted to the Agency Secretaries in December 2011.

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## MEETING PURPOSE AND DESCRIPTION

The purpose of this meeting is for the Monitoring Council to plan further implementation of their recommended monitoring program strategy, and to develop additional recommendations to Cal/EPA and the Natural Resources Agency. Meeting topics will include:

- Introduction of new Monitoring Council Members
- Healthy Streams Partnership, stakeholder feedback
- Review of monitoring projects of the Water Boards' Surface Water Ambient Monitoring Program: Perennial Streams Assessment, Stream Pollution Trends, Statewide Toxicity
- Development of a new Stream & River Ecosystem Health Portal
- Bioaccumulation Oversight Group and Safe to Eat Fish and Shellfish Portal
- Coordination with the Delta Stewardship Council regarding the Delta Plan

## DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

The meeting agenda and related information will be available at least 10 days prior the meeting on the State Water Board website at:

[http://www.mywaterquality.ca.gov/monitoring\\_council/meetings/](http://www.mywaterquality.ca.gov/monitoring_council/meetings/)

Paper copies of the agenda and related documents will also be available upon request by writing or calling:

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## LOCATION & ACCESS

For a map and directions to the Association of California Water Agencies offices, visit: <http://www.acwa.com/content/directions-acwa>. The nearest public parking is available in structures at the corner of 10th and L Streets (enter on 10th) and on I Street between 10th and 11th Streets (enter on either 10th or 11th). View map of additional downtown parking opportunities at <http://www.downtownsac.org/pdfs/resources/downtown-parking-map.pdf>.

Remote access to the meeting will be available via WebEx and teleconference. Details will appear in the agenda.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please direct questions about this notice to Jon Marshack at (916) 341-5514 or [jmarshack@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:jmarshack@waterboards.ca.gov).

To receive email updates regarding activities of the California Water Quality Monitoring Council, subscribe to the "SB 1070 - Water Quality Monitoring Council" mailing list at the following website [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email\\_subscriptions/swrcb\\_subscribe.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/swrcb_subscribe.shtml).

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