

The California Water Quality Monitoring Collaboration Network Announces

Swimmable California Webinar Series

Join the California Water Quality Monitoring Collaboration Network along with Erick Burres from the SWRCB for the presentation “***An Introduction to Water Contact Sanitary Surveys***”. Please join us on Wednesday November 22, 2017 from 11:30 AM -12:30 PM (PST).

Sponsored by the California Water Quality Monitoring Collaboration Network the goal of this webinar series is to focus on elements that support California’s water monitoring and management programs that provide for a ***Swimmable California***. Safe to Swim water quality programs are an important part of ensuring public health while people recreate at the State’s many beaches and swimming holes or using these same waters for cultural or subsistence uses. As California’s population continues to grow, more people are recreating in surface waters, especially freshwater. Water quality monitoring and management continue to be challenging for many agencies and the webinar series should be of assistance to many groups as they face these challenges. Organizers of this webinar series encourage participants to engage with the California Water Quality Monitoring Council’s [California Safe-to-Swim Workgroups](#) and become more aware of safe-to-swim resources like the “[The California Microbial Source Identification Manual: A Tiered Approach to Identifying Fecal Pollution Sources to Beaches](#)”. Through networking, sharing and building capacity we can work together supporting a swimmable California.

Webinar Topic and Agenda Pages can be found [here](#).

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Topic: *An Introduction to Water Contact Sanitary Surveys*

Does your program monitor fecal indicator bacteria (FIBs)? Have your water contact area experienced WQO exceedances and needed to know where the FIB were coming from? Sanitary survey is a method of investigating the source(s) of that fecal contamination to that water body. Sanitary surveys help watershed managers and public health officials identify potential sources of water pollution, assess the magnitude of pollution, and identify priority locations for water testing. This webinar will discuss routine and yearly water contact sanitary surveys and how to conduct them using or modifying [USEPA methods](#).

Presenter: Erick Burres

Mr. Burres has a background in natural resource management (BS Zoology, MPA Public Policy and Administration). He has worked throughout California in wildlife, marine, and fisheries research as well as open space and watershed management. Since 1999 he has worked for the State Water Resources Control Board and serves as the Citizen Monitoring Coordinator for the [Clean Water Team](#) (CWT) which supports programs engaged with community based watershed management and Citizen Science water quality monitoring projects. Erick also facilitates work groups for the [California Water Quality Monitoring Council](#).

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