



State Water Resources Control Board

October 28, 2022

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California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region, Order No. R4-2021-0105, 22-TC-01

Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board Order No. R4-2021-0105: Parts III.A.1, A.3.a, A.3.b, A.5.a, A.5.b, A.5.c, A.6; Parts IV.A.2 and B and Attachments J through S (except Attachments K, L and N); Part VII and Attachment E; Parts VIII.D.1, D.3, D.4; Parts VIII.F.3.c.i, F.3.c.ii, F.3.c.ii; Parts VIII.G.4.a, G.5.a, G.5.b.i, G.5.b.ii; Parts VIII.H.2 and H.5.b; and Parts VIII.I.5, I.6, I.8., effective September 11, 2021 County of Los Angeles and Los Angeles County Flood Control District, Claimants

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO SUBMIT COMMENTS OF THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD AND THE CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD, LOS ANGELES REGION

Dear Ms. Halsey:

By letter dated October 14, 2022, the Commission on State Mandates (Commission) issued a Notice of Complete Joint Test Claim, Schedule for Comments, and Notice of Tentative Hearing Date for the above Test Claim (Notice). The Notice requests parties, interested parties, and interested persons to analyze the merits of the Test Claim and submit written comments by November 14, 2022. The Notice also indicated that the public hearing on the Test Claim is tentatively scheduled for September 22, 2023. The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) and Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Los Angeles Water Board) (collectively Water Boards) intend to submit written comments on the Test Claim and respectfully request a 91-day extension of time to submit written comments, which would extend the deadline to Monday **February 13, 2023** for the reasons explained below.

Section 1187.9, subdivision (a), of the Commission's regulations provides that as long as a postponement of a hearing would not be required, there is no prejudice to any

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party or interested party, and there is no other good reason for denial, a request for extension of time to file comments on a test claim shall be approved.

The Water Boards first learned of this Test Claim on October 14, 2022. The Test Claim concerns permit requirements established in Los Angeles Water Board Order No. R4-2021-0105 issued on July 23, 2021. The Test Claim raises numerous and complex issues and is over 2,000 pages long including attachments. Given the complexity and length of the Test Claim, analyzing the merits of the Test Claim will require considerable staff and attorney time to research and provide comments. Staff and I are responsible for other priority duties that limit our ability to exclusively work on this matter, including work in preparing orders for consideration by the Water Boards at their monthly meetings and working with the Attorney General's office on existing litigation matters. The Water Boards also require additional time due to the upcoming winter holidays. Staff and attorneys involved in the preparation of comments have pre-planned vacations during this period. Extending the deadline for comments on the Test Claim will allow the Water Boards the necessary time to prepare responses on this Test Claim. An extension of time will not require postponement of the tentatively scheduled September 22, 2023 hearing and the Water Boards are not aware of any prejudice to any party or interested person or any other good reason that the request for more time should not be granted. Accordingly, the Water Boards respectfully ask that you approve this request and extend the deadline to submit written comments to February 13, 2023.

The Water Boards appreciate your consideration of this request for extension. Please let me know if you have any questions. I can be reached at (916) 322-3313 or by e-mail at <u>Adriana.Nunez@waterboards.ca.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Adriana Nuñez Attorney III

cc: Service List [via Commission Drop Box]

DECLARATION OF SERVICE BY EMAIL

I, the undersigned, declare as follows:

I am a resident of the County of Sacramento and I am over the age of 18 years, and not a party to the within action. My place of employment is 980 Ninth Street, Suite 300, Sacramento, California 95814.

On October 31, 2022, I served the:

- Notice of <u>60-Day</u> Extension Request Approval issued October 31, 2022
- Water Boards' Request for Extension of Time filed October 28, 2022

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by making it available on the Commission's website and providing notice of how to locate it to the email addresses provided on the attached mailing list.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this declaration was executed on October 31, 2022 at Sacramento, California.

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Last Updated: 10/31/22

Claim Number: 22-TC-01

Matter: California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region, Order No. R4-2021-0105

Claimants: County of Los Angeles Los Angeles County Flood Control District

TO ALL PARTIES, INTERESTED PARTIES, AND INTERESTED PERSONS:

Each commission mailing list is continuously updated as requests are received to include or remove any party or person on the mailing list. A current mailing list is provided with commission correspondence, and a copy of the current mailing list is available upon request at any time. Except as provided otherwise by commission rule, when a party or interested party files any written material with the commission concerning a claim, it shall simultaneously serve a copy of the written material on the parties and interested parties to the claim identified on the mailing list provided by the commission. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 1181.3.)

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