

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
LOS ANGELES REGION**

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**REVISED PUBLIC NOTICE No. 22-012  
Extension of Public Comment Period**

**PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF  
WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS AND NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE  
ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT**

<b>DISCHARGER</b>	<b>FACILITY LOCATION</b>	<b>RECEIVING WATER</b>
City of Los Angeles, Bureau of Sanitation (Hyperion Water Reclamation Plant)	12000 Vista del Mar Boulevard, Playa del Rey, California	Pacific Ocean

The City of Los Angeles, Bureau of Sanitation (hereinafter the City or Discharger), discharges secondary-treated wastewater from its Hyperion Water Reclamation Plant (Hyperion WRP) to the Pacific Ocean in the Santa Monica Bay, a water of the United States. The secondary-treated effluent is discharged to the Santa Monica Bay from the Hyperion WRP at Discharge Point 002 (5-Mile Outfall, Latitude 33.91197° N, Longitude 118.52145° W) and Discharge Point 001 (1-Mile Outfall, Latitude 33.91833° N, Longitude 118.44750 ° W). The City owns and operates the Hyperion WRP, a publicly-owned treatment works located at 12000 Vista del Mar Boulevard, Playa del Rey, California, with a design capacity of 450 million gallons per day. The discharge is regulated under waste discharge requirements contained in Order No. R4-2017-0045, adopted by this Regional Water Quality Control Board (Los Angeles Water Board) and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) Region 9 on February 02, 2017. Order No. R4-2017-0045 serves as a permit under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES No. CA0109991). The Discharger filed a Report of Waste Discharge (ROWD) and applied to the Los Angeles Water Board for reissuance of Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) and NPDES permit to discharge secondary-treated wastewater to Santa Monica Bay.

On the basis of preliminary staff review and application of lawful standards and regulations, the USEPA Region 9 and the Los Angeles Water Board tentatively propose to jointly issue consolidated waste discharge requirements and the NPDES permit under Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (40 CFR) § 124.4(c)(2).

**OCTOBER 13, 2022 JOINT PUBLIC HEARING**

The USEPA Region 9 and Los Angeles Water Board held a joint public hearing on the Tentative WDRs and NPDES permit during the regular Los Angeles Water Board meeting (Board meeting) on October 13, 2022 to receive comments from the public.

The Tentative WDRs and NPDES permit for the October 13, 2022 public hearing were posted to the Los Angeles Water Board's and the USEPA's website. In addition, the Discharger posted the Tentative WDRs and NPDES permit on the bulletin Board of the El Segundo Public Library, at the entrance to the Dockweiler State Beach Youth Center, and at the Hyperion Water Reclamation Plant's entrance to its Environmental Learning Center as well as at the entrance to its Technical Support Facility and at the entrance to its Service Maintenance Facility. The Los Angeles Water Board staff also emailed a copy of the WDRs and NPDES permit to interested parties on August 30, 2022. The original notice allowed for a public comment period from August 30, 2022 through the end of the Board hearing on October 13, 2022.

At the public hearing, the USEPA Region 9 and the Los Angeles Water Board heard testimony pertinent to the discharge, tentative WDRs, and NPDES permit.

Before the hearing on October 13, 2022, the Los Angeles Water Board and the USPEA became aware that not all interested parties had been given notice of the opportunity to submit written comments. Accordingly, and to allow additional time for the public to provide written comments, the Los Angeles Water Board and USEPA decided to extend the public comment period for an additional 30-day period to November 14, 2022.

### **AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS**

The Report of Waste Discharge (ROWD), other documents relied upon, tentative effluent limitations and special provisions, comments received, and other information on file are available for inspection and copying between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday by appointment at the following addresses:

Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board  
320 West 4th Street, Suite 200  
Los Angeles, CA 90013

U.S. EPA Region 9  
75 Hawthorne Street  
San Francisco, California

The Tentative requirements are available on the Los Angeles Water Board's [website](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/board_decisions/tentative_orders/) at: [https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/board\\_decisions/tentative\\_orders/](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/board_decisions/tentative_orders/) under the "Individual NPDES" heading. [USEPA's website](https://www.epa.gov/aboutepa/public-notices-meetings-and-events-epas-pacific-southwest) (<https://www.epa.gov/aboutepa/public-notices-meetings-and-events-epas-pacific-southwest>) also contains information relating to this public notice and this draft NPDES permit.

The entire file (ROWD other documents relied upon, tentative effluent limitations and special provisions, comments received, and other information) will become a part of the administrative record of this proceeding.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS AND SUBMITTAL OF EVIDENCE**

Persons wishing to comment on, or object to, the tentative waste discharge requirements and NPDES permit, or submit evidence for the Board to consider, are invited to submit them in writing to [Xiaofei Cui](mailto:xiaofei.cui@waterboards.ca.gov) at [xiaofei.cui@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:xiaofei.cui@waterboards.ca.gov) and/or

[Peter Kozelka](mailto:kozelka.peter@epa.gov) at [kozelka.peter@epa.gov](mailto:kozelka.peter@epa.gov). To be fully responded to and considered by the USEPA Region 9 and the Los Angeles Water Board, written comments or testimony shall be submitted by **5:00 p.m. on November 14, 2022**. Failure to comply with these requirements is grounds for the Los Angeles Water Board to refuse to admit the proposed written comment or exhibit into evidence pursuant to section 648.4, title 23 of the California Code of Regulations. Interested persons are invited to submit written comments concerning the tentative requirements as provided through the notification process. Comments were due either in person or by mail to the Los Angeles Water Board (320 West 4th Street, Suite 200, Los Angeles, California, 90013) or by [email](mailto:losangeles@waterboards.ca.gov) to [losangeles@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:losangeles@waterboards.ca.gov) and to USEPA Region 9 via [kozelka.peter@epa.gov](mailto:kozelka.peter@epa.gov) and [R9NPDES@epa.gov](mailto:R9NPDES@epa.gov).

Date: October 14, 2022