



California Water Quality Monitoring Council



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Thursday, May 26, 2022
10:00 AM to 4:00PM

Klamath Room
Joe Serna Jr. CalEPA Building
1001 I Street, Sacramento

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the California Water Quality Monitoring Council will meet to discuss issues relating to its responsibilities pursuant to California Water Code Section 13181.

BACKGROUND

The California Water Quality Monitoring Council (Monitoring Council) was established by [California Water Code Section 13181 \(CWC 13181\)](#) which requires the boards, departments and offices within the California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA) and the California Natural Resources Agency (CNRA) 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, drinking water, public health, stormwater, publicly owned treatment works, agriculture, citizen monitoring groups, the public, the scientific community, the academic community, and water supply. The Monitoring Council is also required to consult with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, whose representative attends Monitoring Council meetings in a non-voting capacity. The Monitoring Council is considered a regular state body Pursuant to the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act (Gov. Code, § 11120, et seq.) and is subject to specific meeting and noticing requirements. A quorum of Monitoring Council Members will be present in person at the location identified above which is open to the public. Additional Monitoring Council Members will be participating remotely via Zoom and those locations are likewise open to the public and identified on page 3.

The Monitoring Council develops specific recommendations to improve the coordination and cost-effectiveness of water quality and ecosystem monitoring and assessment; enhances the integration of monitoring data across departments and agencies; and increases public accessibility to monitoring data and assessment information.

The Monitoring Council, in coordination with the State Water Resources Control Board, recommended 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.”

MEETING PURPOSE AND DESCRIPTION

The purpose of this meeting is for the Monitoring Council to plan further implementation of their comprehensive monitoring program strategy and to develop additional recommendations to the CalEPA and CNRA Secretaries. Meeting topics will include:

- Public Forum: opportunity for stakeholders to address items not on the agenda
- Post Fire Water Quality Monitoring

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

The meeting agenda and related information will be available on the following website:

https://mywaterquality.ca.gov/monitoring_council/meetings/

MEETING ACCESS

In addition to the meeting location identified at the beginning of this notice, the public may also attend the meeting in person at the Monitoring Council Member Teleconference Locations identified on page 3 of this notice.

Remote access to the meeting will be available via Zoom. [To join the online meeting, click on this link](#) **Meeting ID: 998 3227 2907 and Password: 554191**. Please log in a few minutes before the meeting starts to allow Zoom to set up the meeting connection software on your computer (as needed). Audio connection is via teleconference, **by calling 1-669-900-9128 with Meeting ID: 99832272907# and Password: 554191#**.

For a map to the Cal/EPA Headquarters Building, visit: <https://calepa.ca.gov/headquarters-sacramento/>. For security purposes, all visitors are required to sign in and receive a badge at the Visitor Center to the left of the lobby upon entering the building. Valid picture identification may be required due to the security level. Individuals who require special accommodations are requested to contact the State Water Board’s Equal Employment Opportunity Office at (916) 341-5881.

The Meeting will also be recorded and available on YouTube directly following the meeting on the [Monitoring Council YouTube Channel](#).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please direct questions about this notice to the Monitoring Council Director:
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To receive email updates regarding the California Water Quality Monitoring Council, subscribe to the "California Water Quality Monitoring Council (SB 1070)" mailing list under "General Interests" at the following website:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/swrcb_subscribe.shtml.

May 9, 2022

Date



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**Monitoring Council Member Teleconference Locations
for the May 26, 2022 Meeting**

Pursuant to the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act (Gov. Code, § 11120, et seq.), the locations of Monitoring Council members and alternates participating via teleconference are identified below and are accessible to the public.

Sierra Streams Institute
117 New Mohawk Rd,
Nevada City, CA 95959
(530) 470-6037

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