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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Friday April 5, 2024
10:00 AM to 1:00 PM
Zoom Meeting

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 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.

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.
- Monitoring Council Member updates.
- Discussion about Council Member engagement roles and opportunities.
- Presentation from the Molecular Methods Workgroup.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

The meeting agenda and related information will be available on the following website:
https://mywaterquality.ca.gov/monitoring_council/meetings/

MEETING ACCESS

This meeting will occur in a virtual format.

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: 55491#**. Existing audio equipment in our meeting room may limit the quality of the connection.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please direct questions about this notice to the Monitoring Council Director:
Nick Martorano, (916) 341-5514 nicholas.martorano@waterboards.ca.gov.

To receive email updates regarding the California Water Quality Monitoring Council, subscribe to the "California Water Quality Monitoring Council" mailing list under "General Interests" at the following website:
https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/CAWRCB/subscriber/new?qsp=ca_swrCb.

March 20, 2024
Date



Nicholas Martorano
Director

**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
(213) 576-6600