

Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board

****NOTIFICATION****

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD LAHONTAN REGION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP AND OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON THE 2021 TRIENNIAL REVIEW OF THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE LAHONTAN REGION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board (Water Board) has begun the 2021 Triennial Review process for its Water Quality Control Plan for the Lahontan Region (Basin Plan). The purpose of the Triennial Review is to identify key Basin Plan issues that will guide Basin Planning efforts for the following three years. The Basin Plan identifies beneficial uses of surface and ground waters, establishes water quality standards for protecting the beneficial uses, and describes implementation programs for achieving water quality standards. The Basin Plan covers the entire Lahontan Region, including eastern California from the Oregon border to the northern Mojave Desert, east of the Sierra Nevada crest.

The Water Board will hold a public workshop to receive comments on Basin Plan elements that may need amending. Potential amendments can include, but are not limited to, revising water quality standards and beneficial uses for specific water bodies, revisions reflecting plans and policies adopted by other agencies, and revisions clarifying existing Basin Plan elements. The Triennial Review process does not include consideration of waste discharge requirements, waivers of waste discharge requirements, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permits, or other regulatory matters.

The public workshop will be held during the Water Board's regularly scheduled September 15-16, 2021 meeting, and will be conducted virtually. The Triennial Review workshop is currently scheduled for September 15. The final agenda will be posted on the Water Board's website, below, a minimum of 10 days prior to the meeting. The agenda will contain details about how to access and participate in the virtual workshop:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/lahontan/board_info/agenda/2021_schedule.html

DATES:	September 15, 2021
TIME:	Meeting begins at 10 a.m.
PLACE:	Virtual meeting

PETER C. PUMPHREY, CHAIR | MICHAEL R. PLAZIAK, PG, EXECUTIVE OFFICER

REQUEST FOR PUBLIC INPUT

The Water Board welcomes public participation in its decision-making processes and encourages the public and others to submit comments on issues that could be addressed in future Basin Plan amendments.

Interested persons can submit comments both orally at the workshop in September or in written form on issues that could be addressed in future Basin Plan amendments.

All written comments must be received by 5:00 p.m. on September 22, 2021. Please email your written comments to: Lahontan@waterboards.ca.gov and include **“2021Triennial Review Comments”** in the subject line. Comments may also be mailed to:

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SUBSEQUENT STEPS

Following the Triennial Review workshop in September, Water Board staff will review the oral and written comments and prepare a draft staff report and recommended list of projects for the Water Board to consider at a future hearing. There will be opportunity to comment on the draft staff report and the Triennial Review recommendations later this year. A 45-day notice will be provided prior to the adoption hearing.

Persons wishing to subscribe to the Water Board’s electronic mailing list regarding the Triennial Review can do so at the following webpage:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/reg6_subscribe.html.

Check the box titled “Basin Plan - Triennial Review” and click “subscribe.”

All future information and notifications pertaining to this Triennial Review will be provided electronically through this subscription service, and to those interested parties who request notification via US mail.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know to be interested.