

2003 Basin Plan Triennial Review Comment Submittal Form

SUBMITTING ORGANIZATION

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BASIN PLAN ISSUE (Instructions for completion appear on the back)

<p>Name of Basin Plan Issue: Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) Management Plan for the San Diego Basin (Region 9)</p>
<p>Affected Waterbody(ies) and Watershed(s): Waterbodies: Current Identified Waterbodies from 2002 Section 303(d) List: Upper Santa Margarita River (902.22), Sandia Creek (902.22), San Luis Rey River (903.11), Aqua Hedionda Creek (904.31), Hodges Reservoir (905.21), Felicita Creek (905.23), Kit Carson Creek (905.23), Cloverdale Creek (905.31), Lower San Diego River (907.12), Forrester Creek (907.11, 907.12) and all waterbodies in Region 9. Watersheds: Santa Margarita, San Luis Rey, Carlsbad, San Deguito, Peñasquitos, San Diego, Pueblo San Diego, Sweetwater, Otay and Tijuana. All watersheds are all affected to some degree.</p>
<p>Concise Summary of Basin Plan Issue: Develop a Region-wide TDS management plan and strategy to proactively address the mounting TDS impacts on ground waters and surface waters and better align TDS water quality objectives within the County Water Authority distribution region to reflect the imported water contributions.</p>
<p>Detailed Description of Basin Plan Issue: A description and discussion of the Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) issue within the San Diego County region is described in the attached document.</p>
<p>Result/Goal of Basin Plan Issue: Proactively align use and management strategies for surface waters, ground waters, imported waters, and reclaimed water to prevent irreparable degradation of these waters from total dissolved solids. Re-evaluate the Water Quality Standards and better align surface and ground water objectives to reflect the long term needs of the community and the intermingling of these systems. Form a Technical Committee to better define the complexity of the issue, develop a management plan and develop implementation strategies for best management practices. Include the participation of the public and stakeholders in the process to better evaluate the Porter-Cologne 13241 factors. Consider the need to integrate TDS and nutrients management strategies together.</p>
<p>Justification: During the 2002 CWA Section 303(d) listing process, nine waterbodies were listed for TDS. Current practices of importing drinking water, agricultural irrigation, reclaimed water, water conservation and nonpoint source runoff are currently adding to this problem with no clear integration of these policies and plans. In addition, the current objectives do not take into consideration seasonal and climatic factors or the interactions between ground and surface waters.</p>
<p>Supporting Information or Data: Appendix A in the attached document provides a list of data supporting this comment. In addition, a list of references is included. The submitting organizations can assist the San Diego RWQCB in gathering applicable TDS data and applying for grants to support data collection.</p>
<p>Affected Parties: County Water Authority, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, City of San Diego Water Department, Small Water Districts, Agricultural community, USDA, Agricultural Extension, Municipalities of San Diego County, Southern Riverside County, County of San Diego, Orange County, Water Reclamation Dischargers, Building Industry and the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board.</p>
<p>Recommended Priority: This is an issue that needs to be of high priority to help focus management strategies to ensure that future efforts to control total dissolved solids (TDS) in local surface waters result in reductions that provide reasonably cost effective beneficial use protection and attainment. Currently, regulatory practices do not address the problem in a holistic approach and do not provide a clear direction for future management of TDS in our waters.</p>

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Instructions

Instructions for completing the 2003 Basin Plan Triennial Review Comment Submittal Form

1. **Submitting Organization:** This section should include the name of the organization, entity or person submitting the Basin Plan issue(s) for consideration during the 2003 Triennial Review process.
2. **Contact Person:** This section should include the name, address, phone number(s), and e-mail address for the contact person that can answer questions about the information provided.
3. **Name of Basin Plan Issue:** This section should include the name of the Basin Plan issue. This name will be used to identify the issue throughout the 2003 Triennial Review process.
4. **Affected Waterbody(ies) and Watershed(s):** This section should identify the waterbody(ies) and watershed(s) affected by the Basin Plan issue, using the nomenclature as described in the Basin Plan for hydrologic units, areas and subareas. A map should be submitted to identify the affected waterbody(ies) and watershed(s).
5. **Concise Summary of Basin Plan Issue:** This section should describe in one or two sentences the essence of the Basin Plan Issue.
6. **Detailed Description of Basin Plan Issue:** This section should include a comprehensive description of the Basin Plan Issue.
7. **Result/Goal of Basin Plan Issue:** This section should describe the intended result or goal of the Basin Plan issue.
8. **Justification:** This section should provide detailed rationale to support the Basin Plan issue. (i.e., why should the Regional Board consider this issue?)
9. **Supporting Information or Data:** List any existing documents and/or data that the Regional Board should consider is reviewing the Basin Plan issue.
10. **Affected Parties:** Provide a list of potential stakeholders who could be affected by the Basin Plan issue (i.e., municipalities, businesses, agriculture, residents, industries, etc.)
11. **Recommended Priority:** If submitting multiple Basin Plan issues for consideration, rank each issue in the order of relative importance, assigning rank 1 to the highest priority issue.