

CALIFORNIA AMERICAN WATER

NOTICE OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION HEARINGS REGARDING CALIFORNIA AMERICAN WATER'S APPLICATION 04-09-019 (A.04-09-019) FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO CONSTRUCT AND OPERATE ITS COASTAL WATER PROJECT TO RESOLVE THE LONG-TERM WATER SUPPLY DEFICIT IN ITS MONTEREY DISTRICT AND TO RECOVER ALL PRESENT AND FUTURE COSTS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH IN RATES.

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) will hold Public Participation Hearings (PPH's) covering California American Water's request to construct and operate the Coastal Water Project, a proposed water supply project. The dates, times and locations of the PPH's are noted below:

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION HEARINGS:

July 13, 2009

2:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Monterey City Hall Council Chambers
580 Pacific Street, Monterey, CA 93940

July 14, 2009

2:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Oldemeyer Center - Auditorium
986 Hilby Avenue, Seaside, CA 93955

In A.04-09-019, California American Water requests a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) from the CPUC to construct and operate The Coastal Water Project, a proposed water supply project. The focus of this phase of the proceeding is the selection of a long-term water supply solution to address the water deficit in California American Water's Monterey District and to explore a regional alternative to California American Water's proposed project, as directed in Decision 03-09-022.

The Draft Environmental Impact Report assessing the environmental impacts of California American Water's proposed Project and two alternative projects (locating the proposed desalination plant at North Marina and a regional approach to resolving the long-term water supply issues) was issued by the CPUC staff on January 30, 2009. Comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Report were due on April 15 and were posted on the website on May 1, 2009. Comments to

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the Draft Environmental Impact Report may be accessed at:
cwp-eir.com/downloads/CalAmCommentLetters_May-2009.pdf

California American Water may not proceed with its proposed project absent certification by the CPUC. As a basis for granting such certification, the CPUC must consider costs, community values, recreational and park areas, historical and aesthetic values, and the influence on the environment.

Members of the public who wish to present comments at the PPH's may address issues related to California American Water's proposed Coastal Water Plan and the alternatives to the Project.

If you would like to send written comments to the CPUC, please contact the Public Advisor's Office (PAO) at the address shown below. Please refer to A.04-09-019 when writing or sending e-mails to the PAO. The PAO was established to help you to participate in CPUC proceedings. Persons with disabilities who need reasonable accommodations such as sign language interpretation, in order to participate in this proceeding or any hearing should contact the PAO at:

Telephone: (415) 703-2074

Toll-free: 1-866-849-8390

TTY: (415) 703-5282

Toll-free TTY at 1-866-836-7825.

Requests for foreign language interpreters should also be directed to the PAO at these numbers. Such requests must be received at least three business days prior to the hearing.

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You may view a copy of California American Water's Coastal Water Project CPCN application at:

www.coastalwaterproject.com/pdf/APP.pdf



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