

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DRAINAGE AUTHORITY

Important Workshop Notice July 30, 2013 Los Banos

A public workshop will be held on July 30 in Los Banos to review the new Long Term Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program. The meeting will be sponsored by the Regional Board and the Westside San Joaquin River Watershed Coalition.

Meeting Location: Los Banos Fairgrounds, O'Banion Building, 403 "F" Street

Starting Time: 9 AM

Purpose of Meeting: To go over the new proposed regulations for the Long-Term Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program. The current program requires farmers and wetland areas to have a permit to discharge tailwater and stormwater from their properties. Compliance with the current program is through membership in the Westside Coalition. The new program will include regulations for possible discharges to groundwater including requirements to report nitrogen use and farming practices.

The meeting will be attended by Regional Board members and there will be opportunity for public questions and comments.

Copies of the new regulation will be available no later than July 16 on the Regional Board's website at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water_issues/irrigated_lands/long_term_program_development/index.shtml

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