This is a message from the State Water Resources Control Board.

Dear Stakeholders,

You are invited to attend an informational Workshop on June 6, 2012 to discuss <u>future</u> <u>amendments to the Ocean Plan and the Enclosed Bays and Estuaries</u> Plan addressing desalination facilities and brine disposal.

The meeting will be held from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM in the Coastal Hearing Room located on the second floor of the CalEPA Building at 1001 I Street in Sacramento.

Expert Panel on Fact and Effects of Brine Discharges:

A panel of experts in the fields of oceanography, plume modeling, ecotoxicology, and marine ecology to answer the following questions related to brine discharge:

- What are the potential environmental impacts?
- What **disposal strategies** will minimize impacts from brine discharges?
- What models should be applied to predict **how brine plumes will behave**?
- Can **<u>cumulative water quality effects</u>** be evaluated with models?
- What are appropriate **monitoring strategies** for brine discharges?

