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DWR Sets Workshops on Building Dual Plumbing Design Standards

SACRAMENTO – The Department of Water Resources (DWR) will hold May workshops in Sacramento and San Diego to introduce draft language for Dual Plumbed buildings design standards.

Public Workshops

Public comment will be accepted at the workshops:

May 11, 2009

9 a.m. – noon

California Victims Compensation and Government Claims Board

400 R St

Sacramento, CA 95811-6213

(916) 445-1254

www.dca.ca.gov

May 20, 2009

9 a.m. – noon

San Diego County Water Authority

4677 Overland Avenue

San Diego, CA 92123

(858) 522-6600

<http://www.sdcwa.org>

Proposed Standards

DWR intends to adopt into the California Plumbing Code, Dual Plumbing Design Standards for potable and recycled water systems (California Code of Regulations Title 24, Part 5).

Draft language and other pertinent information can be found online at

<http://www.owue.water.ca.gov/recycle/plumb/plumb.cfm>.

Background

DWR will submit the proposed code to the Building Standards Commission in June 2009 as required by Assembly Bill 371 (Goldberg 2006). This bill directs the Department, in consultation with the State Department of Health Services, to adopt and submit to the California Building Standards Commission regulations to establish a state version of Appendix J (renamed Chapter 16 Part 2) of the Uniform Plumbing Code to provide design standards to safely plumb buildings with both potable and recycled water systems.

The Plumbing Code/Cross-Connection Control Workgroup, a working group advising the 2002 Recycled Water Task Force, drafted design standards to dual plumb buildings for potable and recycled water systems. DWR is starting the process using this draft language.

Authorizing legislation and documents

- [AB 371: http://www.owue.water.ca.gov/recycle/laws/AB371-2006.pdf](http://www.owue.water.ca.gov/recycle/laws/AB371-2006.pdf)
- [Draft Dual Plumbing Code: http://www.owue.water.ca.gov/recycle/plumb/2Plumb.doc](http://www.owue.water.ca.gov/recycle/plumb/2Plumb.doc)
- [Recycled Water Taskforce Report: http://www.owue.water.ca.gov/recycle/docs/TaskForceReport.htm](http://www.owue.water.ca.gov/recycle/docs/TaskForceReport.htm)

How to Submit Written Comments

Any interested person, or authorized representative, may submit written comments relevant to the proposed Dual Plumbing Code before 5 PM on May 29, 2009.

Written comments can be e-mailed to: recycle@water.ca.gov.

Mail written comments no later than 5 p.m. on May 29, 2009 to:

Department of Water Resources
Water Use & Efficiency Branch
Attention: Dean Reynolds
POST OFFICE BOX 942836
Sacramento, CA 94236-0001

Comments should be limited to Draft Dual Plumbing Code changes, where added text is displayed in italicized double underline and deleted text is displayed in double strikeout.

For more information on the Dual Plumbing Code, contact Dean Reynolds at (916) 651-7055 or dreynold@water.ca.gov.