

**FREE HELP IS ON THE WAY!**

## August sessions offer Bay Area dairies help with new water quality rules

The San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board (RB-2) recently renewed the Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements (Conditional Waiver) for existing dairies within RB-2. **The first deadline to meet under the renewed waiver is September 1, 2015** (more information below). Now is the time for dairy producers to act and CDQAP is ready to assist.

On June 10, 2015, RB-2 adopted the Conditional Waiver (R2-2015-0031), which applies to all types of dairies constructed and operating as of that date, within the region. Complete Waiver information and forms can be found on the RB-2 website at [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/water\\_issues/programs/TMDLs/agriculture/CAF.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/water_issues/programs/TMDLs/agriculture/CAF.shtml)

**To apply for coverage, dairy owners are required to submit a Notice of Intent (NOI) by September 1, 2015.** CDQAP will offer free “drop-in sessions” at two locations (see right) on August 20 to assist producers in completing their NOI. Advanced reservations for the “drop-in” sessions are not required.

Additional “one-stop-shopping” producer-friendly workshops will be held in the fall of 2015 to assist producers in understanding the new requirements. The fall workshops will also highlight needed record-keeping and monitoring requirements for the upcoming year.

### **DROP-IN SESSION SCHEDULE**

#### **Petaluma location**

9:30 a.m. — Noon, Thursday, August 20  
USDA/NRCS Conference Room  
5401 Old Redwood Highway  
Petaluma, CA  
*(In the SMART Train building,  
across from Reed's Trailer Sales)*

#### **Point Reyes Station location**

1:30 — 4 p.m., Thursday, August 20  
Marin County Farm Bureau Office  
520 Mesa Road  
Point Reyes Station, CA



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