



# 2019 Ocean Plan Review

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# Ocean Plan Review

- State and Federal Law require that water quality control plans be reviewed periodically
- The goal of the review of the Ocean Plan is to identify and prioritize future projects and amendments.



# History of the Ocean Plan

- The Ocean Plan was first adopted in 1972 and most recently amended in February 2019
- Last Review of the Ocean Plan in 2011
- The State Water Board adopted amendments to the Ocean Plan that address six high and very high priority issues identified in the 2011 Review of the Ocean Plan





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- Draft Proposed List of Projects released in January
- Four scoping meetings held between January and February
- 2019 Ocean Plan Review now includes 20 issues/projects for consideration and prioritization



# Issues with the Greatest Interest

- Revising the desalination implementation provisions to improve clarity
- Revising beneficial uses and bacteria objectives for shellfish harvesting (commercial and recreational)
- Designating beneficial uses and developing objectives for Tribal cultural and subsistence uses
- Reviewing ASBS exceptions to ensure they are protective of water quality



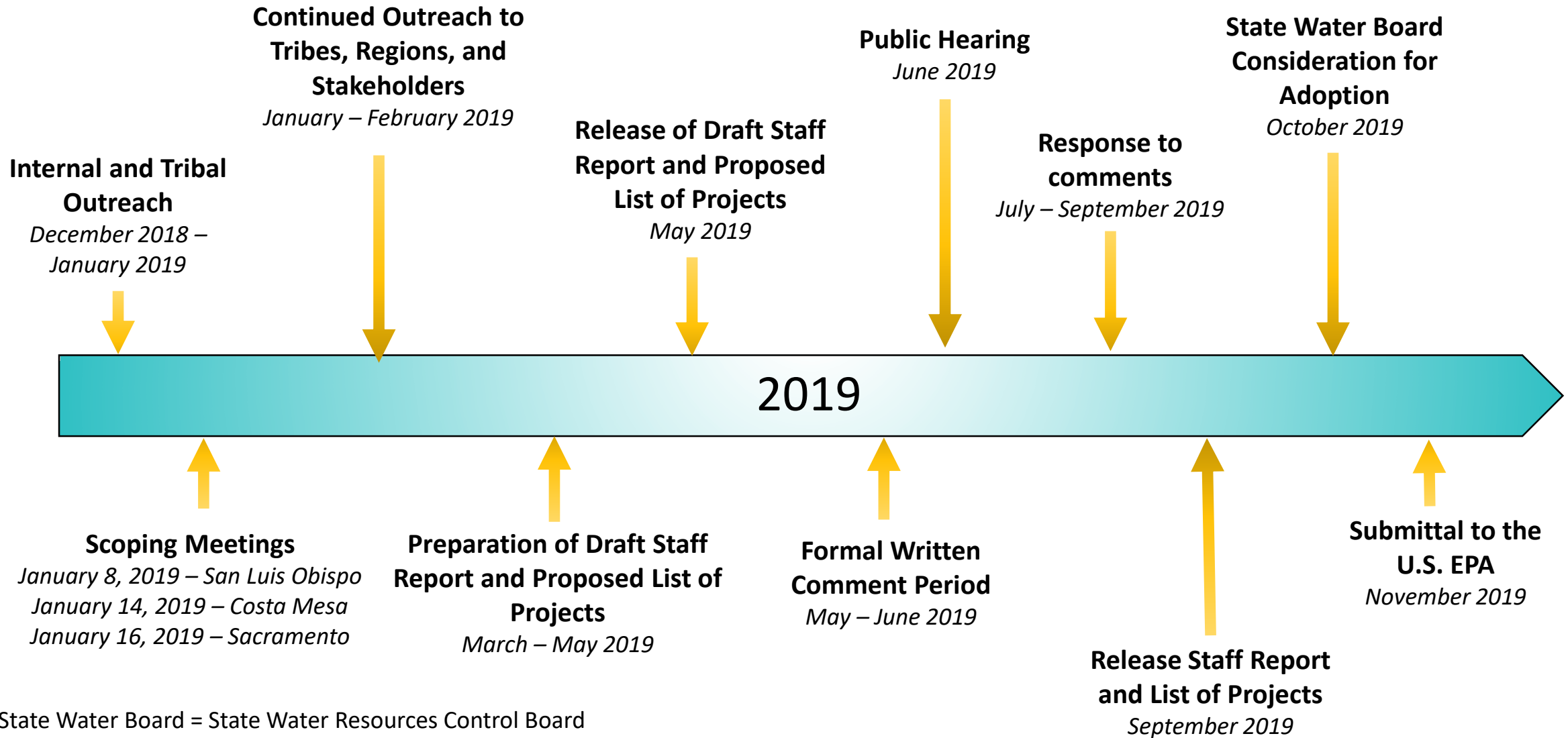


# Additional Issues

- Guidance for monitoring CECs
- Climate Change & Ocean Acidification
- Harmful Algal Blooms



# Review of the Ocean Plan Project Schedule



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U.S. EPA = United States Environmental Protection Agency

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