

NOTICE OF MODIFICATION TO TEXT OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

TITLE 2. ADMINISTRATION DIVISION 3. STATE PROPERTY OPERATIONS CHAPTER 1. STATE LANDS COMMISSION ARTICLE 4.9. MARINE INVASIVE SPECIES ACT ENFORCEMENT AND HEARING PROCESS

Pursuant to the requirements of Government Code section 11346.8(c) and section 44 of title 1 of the California Code of Regulations, the California State Lands Commission (Commission) hereby provides notice of modifications made to the proposed amendments for Article 4.9, regulations for the Marine Invasive Species Act enforcement and hearing process. Notice of the proposed amendments was originally published in the California Regulatory Notice Register on June 6, 2025, and the proposed amendments were subject to a 45-day public comment period that ended on July 21, 2025. A public hearing was held on July 16, 2025.

Upon consideration of written comments received during the 45-day public comment period and oral testimony from the public hearing, Commission staff has revised the proposed regulations as follows:

- Removal of the term “coastal” from several of the subdivisions in the regulatory text to improve clarity.
- Removal of the definition for the term “coastal waters,” as the term no longer appears in the regulatory text.
- Addition of the definition for the term “waters of the state” to improve clarity.

The text of the regulation with proposed modifications is attached to this Notice. The proposed changes are clearly indicated in the attached revised proposed regulatory language as follows:

- Language originally proposed to be added is shown in underline.
- Language originally proposed to be deleted is shown in ~~strike through~~.
- Language originally proposed to be added but now proposed to be removed is shown in ~~underline/double strike through~~.
- Language newly proposed to be deleted is shown in ~~double strike through~~.
- Language newly proposed to be added is shown in double underline.

Any interested person, or authorized representative, may submit written comments to the Commission relevant to the modifications to the text of the proposed regulatory action. The written comment period closes on November 3, 2025. Submit written comments to:

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Written comments may also be submitted by email to cslc.regulations@slc.ca.gov. Please include “**Article 4.9 Modified Text Comments**” in the subject line of the email.

Please limit your comments to the modifications to the text. All written comments received by November 3, 2025, which pertain to the indicated modifications, will be reviewed by the Commission and summarized and responded to in the Final Statement of Reasons.

Any comments previously submitted remain in the rulemaking file and will be responded to by the Commission as part of the Final Statement of Reasons.

AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS ON THE INTERNET

Copies of the notice of proposed rulemaking, the initial statement of reasons, the proposed text of regulations (including the modified text), the economic impact assessment, relevant documents, and any future changes or modifications to the proposed text can be accessed through our website at: <http://www.slc.ca.gov/>.