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AMENDED IN SENATE MARCH 29, 2016

**SENATE BILL**

**No. 1260**

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**Introduced by Senator Allen**

February 18, 2016

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An act to ~~amend Section 10565 of~~ *add Section 13383.9* to the Water Code, relating to stormwater.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1260, as amended, Allen. ~~Stormwater resource planning: project funding.~~ *Stormwater: municipalities: online resource center.*

*Under existing law, the State Water Resources Control Board and the California regional water quality control boards issue municipal separate storm sewer system national pollutant discharge elimination system permits in accordance with the federal Clean Water Act. Existing law required the state board, no later than July 1, 2009, to develop a comprehensive guidance document for evaluating and measuring the effectiveness of municipal stormwater management programs and permits, as prescribed.*

*This bill would require the state board to establish an online resource center that addresses measures available for municipalities to comply with municipal stormwater permit requirements and would authorize the inclusion of certain information.*

~~Existing law, the Stormwater Resources Planning Act, authorizes one or more public agencies to develop a stormwater resource plan. The act requires the State Water Resources Control Board, by July 1, 2016, to establish guidance for purposes of the act. The act requires, with certain exceptions, the development of a stormwater resource plan and compliance with the act to receive grants for stormwater and dry weather~~

runoff capture projects from a bond act approved by the voters after January 1, 2014.

This bill, by March 1, 2017, would require the board to include as part of its guidance a list of potential funding sources available to a public agency to fund projects identified in a public agency’s stormwater resource plan.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 13383.9 is added to the Water Code, to  
2 read:

3 13383.9. The state board shall establish an online resource  
4 center that addresses measures available for municipalities to  
5 comply with municipal stormwater permit requirements and may  
6 include the following information:

7 (a) Links to the following:

8 (1) Relevant state, federal, and local agencies regarding  
9 municipal separate storm sewer system national pollutant  
10 discharge elimination system permits.

11 (2) Water quality mitigation measures for watershed  
12 management programs or enhanced watershed management  
13 programs.

14 (3) Various regional agencies related to stormwater, including,  
15 but not limited to, public works departments and special districts.

16 (b) A library of scientific studies relevant to stormwater issues  
17 confronting our communities.

18 SECTION 1. Section 10565 of the Water Code is amended to  
19 read:

20 10565. (a) By July 1, 2016, the board shall establish guidance  
21 for this part that shall include, but is not limited to, the following:

22 (1) Identifying types of local agencies and nongovernmental  
23 organizations that need to be consulted in developing a stormwater  
24 resource plan.

25 (2) Defining appropriate quantitative methods for identifying  
26 and prioritizing opportunities for stormwater and dry weather  
27 runoff capture projects.

28 (3) Defining the appropriate geographic scale of watersheds for  
29 stormwater resource planning.

1     ~~(4) Other guidance the board deems appropriate to achieve the~~  
2     ~~objectives of this part.~~  
3     ~~(b) By March 1, 2017, the board shall include as part of its~~  
4     ~~guidance for this part a list of potential funding sources available~~  
5     ~~to a public agency to fund projects identified in a public agency's~~  
6     ~~stormwater resource plan.~~

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