



EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

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*Our mission is
to preserve, enhance, and restore the quality of California's water
resources and drinking water for the protection of the environment, public, health,
and all beneficial uses for the benefit of present and future
generations.*

Note: The Executive Officer's Report is not intended to be an exhaustive list of Regional Water Board staff activities from the previous month, but rather provides highlights of these activities.

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Groundwater Division

Compliance and Enforcement Section

The Enforcement Report for April 2021 includes data for February 2021 in the following tables:

Table No.	Title	Description
Tables 1 - 3	Enforcement Summary by Action	Enforcement actions taken by all Regional Water Board Programs
Table 4	Expedited Payment Letters Issued (EPLs)	Five (5) EPLs were issued in February 2021, for a total of \$60,000.
Table 5	EPLs Settled	Five (5) EPLs were settled in February 2021, for a total of \$75,000.
Table 6	Violations subject to Mandatory Minimum Penalties (MMPs)	Fifty-five (55) cases with 363 violations subject to MMPs remain unresolved.
Table 7	EPL Progress (NPDES): FY 20/21	\$882,000 in penalties were collected to date.
Table 8	Industrial/Construction Stormwater Program Notices of Non-Compliance (NNCs)	NNCs issued in this reporting period and the status of compliance
Table 9	Industrial/Construction Stormwater Program Notices of Violations (NOVs)	NOVs issued in this reporting period and the status of compliance

- Tables 1 - 3 summarize enforcement actions taken by all programs.
- Tables 4 - 9 list enforcement actions taken by the Compliance and Enforcement Section.

Summary of Enforcement-Related Activities

Table 1 – Informal Enforcement Actions

Action	February 2021	FY 2020/2021
Notices of Violation	22	369
Notices of Non-Compliance	1	83
Total	23	452

Table 2 – Formal Enforcement Actions

Action	February 2021	FY 2020/2021
Administrative Civil Liability Complaints	0	0
Notices to Comply	0	0
Water Code §13267 Orders	15	134
Cleanup and Abatement Orders/Amendments	21	82
H&S/13260 Directives	9	101
Total	45	317

Table 3 – Compliance Inspections

Action	February 2021	FY 2020/2021
NPDES (Major Permits)	5	11
NPDES (Minor Individual Permits)	0	2
NPDES (Minor General Permits)	1	5
Stormwater (Construction)	33	279
Stormwater (Industrial)	40	166
Stormwater (Municipal)	3	7
Total	82	470

Table 4 – EPLs Issued (February 2021)

Owner/Facility	Date Issued	Type of Alleged Violation	Amount
Palmer Beaudry Avenue Properties, L.P/ Ferrante Site	02/26/21	Effluent Violations	\$18,000
CWV-Alfred, LLC/ 716-718 Alfred Street	02/26/21	Late Report	\$27,000
Josef Mamaliger/ 7115 Waring Avenue Project	02/26/21	Late Report	\$6,000
Hackman Capital Partners/ The Culver Studios	02/26/21	Late Report	\$3,000
Los Angeles County Department of Public Works/Dominguez Gap Barrier Project	02/26/21	Effluent Violations	\$6,000
Total	---	---	\$60,000

Table 5 – EPLs Settled (February 2021)

Owner/Facility	Date Issued	Type of Alleged Violation	Date Stipulated Order Issued	Date Paid	Amount
Vopak Terminal Los Angeles	05/19/20	Effluent	11/20/20	02/01/21	\$3,000
Los Angeles DPW/Terminal Island	06/17/20	Effluent	11/20/20	02/01/21	\$3,000
Los Angeles DPW/Donald C. Tillman	05/29/19	Effluent	6/18/20	02/01/21	\$18,000
Covina Irrigating Company/William B. Temple Water Treatment Plant	03/18/20	Effluent	11/20/20	02/03/21	\$3,000
620 Gramercy Place HOA/ 620 Gramercy Place	09/24/18	Effluent	01/28/21	02/25/21	\$48,000
Total	---	---	---	---	\$75,000

Table 6 – Violations Subject to MMPs (February 2021)

Status	No. of Facilities	No. of Violations
Pending	55	363

Table 7 – EPL Progress (NPDES) for FY 20/21

Action Type	Number of EPLs	Number of Violations	Cumulative Number of EPLs (FY20/21)	Cumulative Number of Violations (FY20/21)
EPLs Issued	5	20	16	126
EPLs Settled	5	25	24	294
EPLs Withdrawn	0	0	0	0
Total Amount Collected	---	---	\$882,000	---

Table 8 – Notices of Non-Compliance (NNC) Issued in February 2021

Facility Name	Facility Address	NNC Issue Date	NNC Response Due Date	Permit Type	Violations	Status
Azusa Pipe and Tube Bending	766 North Todd Avenue, Azusa	02/11/21	04/20/21	IGP	Denial of No Exposure Certification and Failure to Enroll Under the General Permit	Response received

Table 9 – Notices of Violation (NOVs) Issued in February 2021

Facility Name	Facility Address	NOV Issue Date	NOV Response Due Date	Permit Type	Violations	Status
Blue Daisy Cement Product	314 East Compton Boulevard, Gardena	02/11/21	03/09/21	IGP	Failure to Submit the Level 2 ERA Technical Report	Response received
De La Huerta Auto Parts	852 Alpha Street, Duarte	02/11/21	03/09/21	IGP	Failure to Submit the Level 2 ERA Technical Report	Response not received
Safety Kleen of California, Inc.	16604 South San Pedro Street, Carson	02/11/21	03/09/21	IGP	Failure to Submit the Level 2 ERA Technical Report	Response received
ITT Aerospace Controls	28150 Industry Drive, Valencia	02/11/21	03/09/21	IGP	Failure to Submit the Level 2 ERA Technical Report	Response received
Bodycote Thermal Processing	3370 Benedict Way, Huntington Park	02/11/21	03/09/21	IGP	Failure to Submit the Level 2 ERA Technical Report	Response received
Russ Recycling	756 Alpha Street, Duarte	02/11/21	03/09/21	IGP	Failure to Submit the Level 2 ERA Technical Report	Response not received
Matheson Tri-Gas Inc.	818 West Seventh Street, Los Angeles	02/11/21	03/09/21	IGP	Failure to Submit the Level 2 ERA Technical Report	Response received
Designed Metal Connections	14800 South Figueroa Street, Gardena	02/11/21	03/09/21	IGP	Failure to Submit the Level 2 ERA Technical Report	Response not received
Pyramid Auto Wrecking.	9124 De Garmo Street, Sun Valley	02/11/21	03/09/21	IGP	Failure to Submit the Level 2 ERA Technical Report	Response not received
All State Auto Dismantling	11167 Tuxford Street, Sun Valley	02/11/21	03/09/21	IGP	Failure to Submit the Level 2 ERA Technical Report	Response received
Klune Industries, Inc.	7323 Coldwater Canyon Avenue, North Hollywood	02/11/21	03/09/21	IGP	Failure to Submit the Level 2 ERA Technical Report	Response not received
Honda Foreign, Inc.	11975 Branford Street, Sun Valley	02/11/21	03/09/21	IGP	Failure to Submit the Level 2 ERA Technical Report	Response not received
Active Recycling Company, Inc.	2000 West Slauson Avenue, Los Angeles	02/11/21	03/09/21	IGP	Failure to Submit the Level 2 ERA Technical Report	Response not received

Facility Name	Facility Address	NOV Issue Date	NOV Response Due Date	Permit Type	Violations	Status
Commercial Metals Company	3880 Murphy Canyon Road, San Diego	02/11/21	03/09/21	IGP	Failure to Submit the Level 2 ERA Technical Report	Response received
Cordova Construction Services, Inc.	12506 Montague Street, Pacoima	02/11/21	03/09/21	IGP	Failure to Submit the Level 2 ERA Technical Report	Response not received
Forrest Machining, Inc.	27756 Avenue Mentry, Valencia	02/11/21	03/09/21	IGP	Failure to Submit the Level 2 ERA Technical Report	Response received
Paramount Metals and Supply	8140 East Rosecrans Avenue, Paramount	02/11/21	03/09/21	IGP	Failure to Submit the Level 2 ERA Technical Report	Response not received
Pac Foundries	705 Industrial Avenue, Port Hueneme	02/11/21	03/09/21	IGP	Failure to Submit the Level 2 ERA Technical Report	Response not received
Fifth Street Auto Salvage	501 Pacific Avenue, Oxnard	02/11/21	03/09/21	IGP	Failure to Submit the Level 2 ERA Technical Report	Response not received

Monthly update on COVID requests for Relief from Water Board requirements

Although the number of new requests has slowed, we continue to receive them from the regulated community seeking relief from permit and other regulatory requirements during the COVID pandemic.

Every request is tracked, including when it was received and the status of the Region's response. All requests receive an email from staff acknowledging receipt of the request and ask for more information if needed. Each request is evaluated, and a response generated providing our assessment for relief based primarily on the expected effect of the proposed action on human health. Recommendations include extend or suspend requirements, extend comment due dates, delay Regional Water Board action; or deny the request.

Region 4 received 2 requests in February bringing the total to 189. In total, we issued 148 responses, of which 118 requests were approved, 30 were denied and 3 are currently under evaluation. It is important to note that 38 of the requests were withdrawn, meaning the requestor was able to comply with the requirement in a timely manner.

Virtual Inspection at Ojai Valley Wastewater Treatment Plant

On February 23, 2021, Enforcement I Unit staff conducted a routine compliance inspection virtually at the Ojai Valley Sanitary District's Ojai Valley Wastewater Treatment Plant (OVWWTP). Los Angeles Regional Water Board Chair Lawrence Yee, Board

Member Jim Stahl, and the Regional Water Board Executive Management team also participated in the facility tour portion of the virtual inspection. Since May 2020, the Enforcement I Unit began using virtual inspections, where appropriate, as an alternative measure in carrying out our essential functions, while minimizing COVID-19 exposure risks for staff or the regulated community that might otherwise be present during an in-person inspection. The virtual inspection at OVWWTP was conducted via a WebEx conference set up by the Ojai Valley Sanitary District.

Industrial Sites Task Force and SB 205 Update – Meeting

On March 1, 2021, an Industrial Sites Task Force meeting was held via Zoom, with members representing municipal government, industry, and non-governmental organizations, along with Regional Water Board Member Irma Muñoz and Regional Water Board Staff. Regional Water Board Chair Lawrence Yee, Vice Chair Cynthia Guzmán, State Board Member Sean Maguire, Region 8 Assistant Executive Officer Jayne Joy were also in attendance.

Mr. Terry Adams of SA Recycling gave a presentation about how various SA Recycling facilities in the Los Angeles Region were implementing measures to comply with TMDL requirements in the statewide General Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Industrial Activities (commonly referred to as the IGP). SA Recycling currently has 17 facilities enrolled in the IGP in the Los Angeles Region. Of these, five facilities have implemented advanced BMPs (i.e., stormwater capture and treatment systems). They are also looking into the potential to use capture and infiltration BMPs for their other facilities within the Los Angeles River watershed.

Regional Water Board Unit Chief Nerissa Schrader gave an update on the status of the Regional Water Board's implementation and outreach activities to cities and counties related to Senate Bill 205 (SB 205). These activities included conducting four workshops: two in November 2020, one in January 2021, and one in February 2021. There were 134 attendees from 54 cities and counties present. The objectives of the workshop were to assist governmental entities with current business licensing programs, clarify the SB 205 requirements, assist with implementation, and answer questions. Designated Regional and State Water Board contacts were provided to the cities and counties. Ms. Schrader also pointed out that from January 2020 to date, an increase of over 500% in Industrial General Permit applications have been observed, though non-filer businesses may still exist from cities and counties that have no business licensing programs (where SB 205 is not applicable). Santa Fe Springs, Vernon, Oxnard, and the Gateway and South Bay cities have had the largest increases in permit applications.

The next Industrial Sites Task Force meeting is tentatively scheduled for June 2021.

Remediation Section

Former Kast Property Tank Farm, Carousel Tract Residential Neighborhood, Carson - Dr. Teklewold Ayalew, (213) 576-6739 Site Cleanup Unit III

Activities related to site investigation and cleanup work performed during February 2021 include the following:

1. On February 5, 2021, the Regional Water Board received a document titled Procedure for Addressing Pipelines Encountered in Excavations, Former Kast Property Remedial Action Plan Implementation Project, Carson, California (Revised February 5, 2021) (Pipeline Procedure). The document outlines procedures to be followed if previously unknown pipelines or pipeline remnants are encountered during remedial excavation work at the Site. The initial pipeline removal memorandum dated September 12, 2018, addressed only 2-inch and 4-inch pipelines encountered in excavated properties within Cluster 9. The Revised Pipeline Procedure addresses pipelines of a larger diameter encountered within Cluster 17 in the southwest corner of the site. The Regional Water Board agreed with the proposed pipeline removal procedure and on February 16, 2021 issued a letter, approving the procedure.
2. On Saturday, February 13, 2021, Regional Water Board staff hosted a virtual Information Tabling Event for the Carousel community. Six residents from both upcoming and completed clusters participated in the event. Residents' main questions were about their cluster cleanup schedule, what remediation activities would be implemented on their properties, and what to expect from their temporary housing. We also had a resident whose property has been cleaned up who wanted to share their positive experiences with the process.
3. Cleanup of 171 (~60%) properties / homes has been completed. All work is proceeding on schedule. As of February 28, 2021, the status of cleanup implementation at the Carousel Tract is as follows:

Clusters 16

- a. Excavation and installation of remediation systems are complete;
- b. Installation of drainage pipes for rainwater, pouring concrete for driveways, walkways, and patios are in progress; and
- c. Work is expected to be completed by April 9, 2021.

Cluster 17

- a. Excavation and backfilling are underway (95% complete); and
- b. Installation of soil vapor extraction wells, sub-slab depressurization and restoration of utilities are in progress.

Former Athens Tank Farm / Ujima Village Apartments and Ervin Magic Johnson Regional Park (EMJRP), Los Angeles - Dr. Teklewold Ayalew, (213) 576-6739 Site Cleanup Unit III

Activities related to environmental site investigation of the Former Athens Tank Farm during February 2021 are summarized below:

1. On February 25, 2021, ExxonMobil's consultant, Kleinfelder, met with County of Los Angeles Engineering staff and discussed the location and status of grading and construction around groundwater monitoring well ATF-4B.
2. Kleinfelder and ExxonMobil meet on-site with Los Angeles County Parks and Recreation and Los Angeles County's outside architect to discuss redevelopment of the sports fields, and area south of the remediation compound.
3. A summary of completed, ongoing and upcoming activities for the former Athens Tank Farm site follows:

Phase I Soil Vapor Extraction (SVE)

- a. Wells SVE-02 and SVE-11 have been connected to the Phase II SVE system.

Phase II SVE

- a. The system is operating and currently extracting from wells HRW-203 (all 3 screens), HRW-204 (screens A and B), HRW-205 (all 3 screens), HRW-206 (screens B and C), and from Phase I wells SVE-02 and SVE-11.
- b. The Phase II SVE system continues to run intermittently while waiting for a temperature controller component to be delivered.

Phase III Systems

NAPL Recovery Trailer

- a. The NAPL Recovery Trailer is currently operating on wells ATF-19B, ATF-21B and ATF-28B;
- b. The NAPL Trailer is currently positioned over well ATF-21B;

Air/Bio-Sparge System

- a. The system is operating and collecting system performance data.

SITE CLEAN UP PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

February 2021

Project Name	Status	Address	File No.	Regulatory Action	Issue Date	Comment
206 and 210 Slauson Avenue	Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	206 and 210 W. Slauson Avenue, Los Angeles	1456	Technical Correspondence/ Assistance/ Other	02/08/21	Review of Investigation Report and Cleanup Work Plan
Aerodynamic Plating Company	Site Assessment	13620-13629 South Saint Andrews Place, Gardena	T10000013431	Staff Letter	02/17/21	Review of Revised Work Plan to Evaluate the Presence of PFAS
Arco Hathaway Terminal	Site Assessment	2350 Obispo Ave., Signal Hill	1167	Staff Letter	02/04/21	Review of Interim Remedial Action Plan
Barkens Hard Chrome Inc.	Site Assessment	239 E. Greenleaf Blvd., Compton	922	Clean-Up and Abatement Order	02/17/21	Cleanup Pilot Test and Vapor Intrusion Work Plan Approval
Bee Chemical Co. (Former)	Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	1500 178th St. W., Gardena	550	Staff Letter	02/12/21	Review of Workplan
Brown Jordan Co.	Site Assessment	9860 Gidley St., El Monte	103.0059	Deadline Extension	02/22/21	Approval of Time Extension for Technical Report
Brown Jordan Co.	Site Assessment	9860 Gidley St., El Monte	103.0059	Cost Recovery Agreement / Notice of Reimbursement	02/25/21	Site Cleanup Program Oversight Cost Reimbursement Account

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Coast United Advertising Property (Former Henderson Property)	Site Assessment	8714-8716 Darby, Northridge	187	Clean-Up and Abatement Order	02/16/20	Approval of the Soil Vapor Extraction Wells Installation Work Plan
Die Cast Products	Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	621 Rosecrans Ave., Gardena	757	Staff Letter	02/26/20	Request for Revised Work Plan
Die Cast Products	Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	621 Rosecrans Ave., Gardena	757	Staff Letter	02/10/21	Response and Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment Memo
Distinctive Industries	Site Assessment	2930 Vail Avenue, Commerce	1366	Assessment Order	02/17/21	Site Assessment Report Review and a Requirement for a Work Plan
Doc Milgrom's Cleaning Clinic (Former)	Verification Monitoring	19524 Nordhoff St., Northridge	1184	Staff Letter	02/11/21	Review of Work Plan for Indoor Air Sampling
Downey Business Center (Firestone Blvd)	Site Assessment	9828 Firestone Blvd., Downey	1513	Staff Letter	02/08/21	Approval of Soil Vapor Extraction Remedial Action Plan
Eaton Corp (Former)	Site Assessment	2338 Alaska Ave., El Segundo	943	Staff Letter	02/01/21	Review of Groundwater Monitoring Report
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Edgington Oil Co.	Site Assessment	2400 E. Artesia Blvd., Long Beach	236	Clean-Up and Abatement Order	02/22/21	Review of Bio-sparging Pilot Test Workplan
Encino Dry Cleaners	Site Assessment	16946 Ventura Blvd., Encino	1490	Staff Letter	02/05/21	Request for Indoor Air Sampling
Excello Plating Co., Inc.	Remediation	4057 Goodwin Ave., Los Angeles	113.5243	Soil Management Plan	02/16/21	Review and Approval of a Soil Management Plan
Former All-Star Cleaners	Site Assessment	8500 West Olympic Boulevard, Los Angeles	1452	Assessment Order	02/22/21	Extension Request for Submittal of a Technical Report
Former Continental Graphics Facility	Remediation	181 South La Brea Avenue, Los Angeles	1255	Staff Letter	02/24/21	Extension Request for Submittal of a Technical Report
Former Continental Graphics Facility - Lot H, Building A and B	Eligible for Closure	101 N, 101 S, 111S La Brea Avenue, Los Angeles	1255A	Staff Letter	02/01/21	Review of Indoor Air Assessment
Former Dry Cleaner and Carburetor Shop	Site Assessment	8931-8935 Woodman Avenue, Arleta	1300Z	Notice of Violation	02/23/21	Notice of Violation - Failure to Submit a Technical Report
Former Mobil Torrance Refinery	Site Assessment	3700 W. 190th St, Torrance	234	Clean-Up and Abatement Order	02/22/21	Requirement for Submittal of a Site Assessment Work Plan

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Former Mobil Torrance Refinery	Site Assessment	3700 W. 190th St., Torrance	234	Clean-Up and Abatement Order	02/22/21	Requirement for Submittal of a Phase 2 Interim Remedial Action Plan
Former Pharmavite - Miles Chemical - Great Western Chemical	Site Assessment	12801 Rangoon St., Pacoima	111.2659	Assessment Order	02/22/21	Response to Comments and Extension Request
Former Pneumo Abex Aerospace Facility	Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	3151 West Fifth St., Oxnard	253	Clean-Up and Abatement Order	02/01/21	Review of an Indoor Air Sampling Report
Former Pneumo Abex Aerospace Facility	Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	3151 West Fifth St., Oxnard	253	Clean-Up and Abatement Order	02/22/21	Requirements for Submittal of Onsite and Offsite Remediation Action Addenda
Former Pneumo Abex Aerospace Facility	Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	3151 West Fifth St., Oxnard	253	Clean-Up and Abatement Order	02/18/21	Approval of Site Investigation Workplan
Former Preco Site	Site Assessment	6300 East Slauson Avenue, Commerce	194	Amendment to Order	02/22/21	Response to a Soil Vapor Extraction Report
Former Shell Oil Company Kast Property Tank Farm	Remediation	24401 Marbella Avenue, Carson	SCP 1230	Clean-Up and Abatement Order	02/16/21	Review of Procedure for Addressing Pipelines Encountered in Excavations
Former Union Oil Harbor Pipelines	Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	Front Street, San Pedro	1277	Assessment Order	02/22/21	Review of Revised Free Product Recovery and Assessment Workplan

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Freeport McMoran Oil & Gas	Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	San Vicente Boulevard, Los Angeles	1347	Assessment Order	02/22/21	Site Assessment Work Plan Approval Letter
Golden West Refinery	Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	13539 Foster Road, Santa Fe Springs	0227A	Assessment Order	02/17/21	Free Product and Well Installation Work Plan Review
Henry Company	Remediation	2911 Slauson Ave., Huntington Park	1093	Soil Management Plan	02/17/21	Review of Soil Management Plan and Sub-Slab Depressurization System Design
Hi-Shear Corporation	Remediation	2600 Sky Park Drive, Torrance	218	Amendment to Order	02/25/21	Review of Technical Documents
Hi-Shear Corporation	Remediation	2600 Sky Park Drive, Torrance	218	Amendment to Order	02/02/21	Extension Request for Submittal of a Technical Report
Hollyway Cleaners	Site Assessment	1157 Echo Park Ave., Los Angeles	75	Clean-Up and Abatement Order	02/22/21	Conditional Approval of Indoor Air and Vapor Intrusion Assessment at Onsite and Offsite Properties and Additional Requirements
Hollyway Cleaners	Site Assessment	1157 Echo Park Ave., Los Angeles	75	Clean-Up and Abatement Order	02/22/21	Conditional Approval of Site Assessment Workplan and Additional Requirements

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Honeywell International Corp.	Site Assessment	9225 Aviation Boulevard, Los Angeles	379	Staff Letter	02/04/21	Review Site Cleanup Report
Kenneth Hahn Plaza	Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	11700 S. Wilmington Ave, Los Angeles	1040	Amendment to Order	02/22/21	Approval of Groundwater Sampling Frequency
Lockheed Plant B1	Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	1705 Victory Pl., Burbank	104.0676	Clean-Up and Abatement Order	02/22/21	Approval of Work Plan for Shallow Soil Vapor Extraction Testing
Lockheed Plant B1	Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	1705 Victory Pl., Burbank	104.0676	Clean-Up and Abatement Order	02/22/21	Review of Technical Documents for Selected Properties
Mammoet Western Inc.	Site Assessment	1419 Potrero Ave., South El Monte	107.0398	Staff Letter	02/03/21	Requirement for Additional Work
Multi-Chemical Products	Site Assessment	2128 Merced Ave. #200, South El Monte	107.1198	Assessment Order	02/17/21	Assessment Order for Multi Chemical Products
Newhall Land and Farm Co	Remediation	24375 Valencia Blvd., Valencia	293	Staff Letter	02/22/21	Review of Response to August 31 Letter
North Gaffey Street Pipeline Release	Site Assessment	1767 North Gaffey Street, San Pedro	1460	Staff Letter	02/16/21	Review of Additional Site Assessment Work Plan Addendum and Extension Request
Pacific Crest Bank	Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	1800 West 220Th St., Torrance	889	Assessment Order	02/22/21	Approval of Request to Change Groundwater Monitoring Frequency

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Pacific Valves	Site Assessment	3201 Walnut Ave, Signal Hill	I-11716	Staff Letter	02/03/21	Approval of Addendum #2 for Offsite Soil Vapor Investigation Work Plan
Paulee Body Shop	Remediation	1135 La Cienega Blvd., Los Angeles	1174	Staff Letter	02/25/21	Extension Request for Submittal of a Technical Report
Radiant Services / Former Teledyne Site	Remediation	651 W. Knox St., Gardena	2040368	Technical Correspondence / Assistance / Other	02/22/21	Approval of Work Plan
Rantec Microwave Systems, Inc. (Former)	Site Assessment	24003 Ventura Boulevard, Calabasas	1298	Staff Letter	02/09/21	Approval of Cleanup Work Plan
Shell - Mormon Island	Remediation	Berths 167 - 169, Los Angeles	0229A	Amendment to Order	02/22/21	Comments on 2020 Semi- Annual Groundwater Monitoring Report Dated August 14, 2020
Shell Los Angeles Refinery	Remediation	2101 E. Pacific Coast Hwy, Wilmington	230	Amendment to Order	02/22/21	Approval of a Work Plan and Work Plan Addendum for Investigation and Requirement for a Technical Report

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Shell Los Angeles Refinery	Remediation	2101 E. Pacific Coast Hwy., Wilmington	230	Amendment to Order	02/22/21	Approval of a Work Plan and Work Plan Addendum for Soil Investigation and Requirement for a Technical Report
Skypark Commercial Properties	Site Assessment	Skypark Drive and Crenshaw Boulevard, Torrance	1499	Amendment to Order	02/25/21	Extension Request for Submittal of a Technical Report
Skypark Commercial Properties	Site Assessment	Skypark Drive and Crenshaw Boulevard, Torrance	1499	Amendment to Order	02/02/21	Extension Request for Submittal of a Technical Report
Standard Metals Recycling Corp	Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	378 West 133rd St., Los Angeles	0818A	Meeting	02/04/21	Meeting with Property Owner
Sunburst Drapery Cleaners	Site Assessment	14160 Live Oak Ave. #B, Baldwin Park	108.1387	Amendment to Order	02/17/21	Extension Request for Submittal of a Technical Report
Systron Donner (Former)	Remediation	14837 Califa St., Van Nuys	832	Staff Letter	02/10/21	San Fernando Basin Wide Groundwater 2021 Sampling
Textron Filtration System	Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	950 Rancho Conejo Boulevard, Thousand Oaks	322	Assessment Order	02/17/21	Response to a Request to Modify the Groundwater Monitoring Program

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Torrance Logistics Company Southwest Terminal One	Remediation	799 South Seaside Avenue, Terminal Island	333	Clean-Up and Abatement Order	02/22/21	Extension Request for Submittal of a Technical Report
Valley Alhambra Property	Site Assessment	4900 E Valley Blvd., Los Angeles	967	Staff Letter	02/10/21	Valley Alhambra Work Plan
Verizon Santa Monica Plant Yard (Aka Former Boeing/Douglas Plant - A7)	Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	2902 Exposition Blvd., Santa Monica	0130C	Staff Letter	02/23/21	Request for Vapor Intrusion Human Health Risk Assessment
Whittaker Controls - Meggitt	Site Assessment	12838 Saticoy St., North Hollywood	111.1024	Assessment Order	02/22/21	Work Plan Approval

USEPA GRANT FOR SITE CLEANUP PROGRAM

In January 2021, USEPA provided \$50,000 in grant funds to the Regional Water Board via an interagency agreement with DTSC to investigate sources of groundwater contamination that are impacting drinking water wells. The grant funds Regional Water Board staff's review of preliminary assessment reports prepared by and/or on behalf of USEPA and/or DTSC, groundwater data, and historical local agency records in search of potentially responsible parties in the Central Basin and the Pomona Basin. The grant also funds staff's drafting of orders for site assessment and remediation. This funding will not be used for any tasks in the San Fernando Basin, for which the Regional Water Board has separate funding from USEPA and from LADWP.

Prop 1 Update

The Division of Financial Assistance (DFA) has awarded a total of \$280 million in Prop 1 grant funds to the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) for three projects in the San Fernando Basin that will treat contaminated groundwater to supply drinking water. Treatment at all three well fields will consist of ultraviolet light and hydrogen peroxide (together, Advanced Oxidation Process) and granular activated carbon (GAC) to remove chlorinated solvents and 1,4-dioxane. Construction of the North Hollywood West Remediation Project is 85% complete. LADWP has completed 100% design plans and broke ground on the Tujunga Well Field Remediation Project and the North Hollywood Central Remediation Project in November 2020.

Pneumo Abex Site

Site investigation and cleanup activities at the Former Abex Aerospace Facility located at 3151 West 5th Street, Oxnard, California (Site) are being conducted under Cleanup and Abatement Order No. 95-021 (Order) originally dated February 9, 1995. Between 1960 and 1993, Pneumo Abex, LLC and its predecessor, Abex Aerospace Corporation (Abex), operated a manufacturing facility for the development of aerospace components. During its manufacturing operations, the facility stored chemicals, including chlorinated solvents containing volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and petroleum hydrocarbons in underground storage tanks (USTs) for use. The facility ceased in 1993.

As part of the ongoing investigation, off-site soil vapor probe installation and the first round of field sampling in the residential area south of the site was conducted from January 20, 2021 to February 19, 2021. Prior to starting the field work, a work notice (i.e., including what, why, where, and when the sampling will be conducted) was sent to the residents and businesses in the area, and interested parties. Currently, the responsible parties and consultants are reviewing and evaluating the data collected. A report presenting the results of the first round of off-site soil vapor investigation will be submitted to the Regional Water Board by April 15, 2021.

United Technologies Corporation Site

The United Technologies (formerly Pratt & Whitney Rocketdyne) Site in Canoga Park completed additional soil vapor site assessment activities in January 2021. A technical report summarizing this data and the next steps is due to the Regional Water Board by April 30, 2021. Regional Water Board staff is continuing to compile and respond to the comments received from the public meeting held in 2020 and during the public comment period for the completion of the soil remediation.

Underground Storage Tank Section

Completion of Corrective Actions at Leaking Underground Fuel Storage Tank Sites for the Reporting Period from February 1, 2021 through February 28, 2021

Regional Water Board staff have reviewed corrective actions taken for soil and/or groundwater contamination from leaking underground storage tanks and determined that a case closure is appropriate for the following sites:

EM Tee Nest LLC, Culver City (R-64013)

Laidlaw Transit, Inc., Azusa (R-22040)

Paks Western Plaza LLC, Los Angeles (900050090)

For the case closure sites above, **165** gallons of impacted groundwater were removed. **251** gallons of product and groundwater mixture were removed.

Corrective Action Plan for Leaking Underground Fuel Storage Tank Sites for the Reporting Period from February 1, 2021 through February 28, 2021 was received for:

99 Eddie's Liquor Store (908061152)

Corrective Action Plans for Leaking Underground Fuel Storage Tank Sites for the Reporting Period from February 1, 2021 through February 28, 2021 were approved for:

HK Market (900040452)

Serkis Arco (900650343)

Argo Realty Property (904040034)

Tosco - 76 Station #5608 (900320098)

Summaries of the Underground Storage Tank Section's performance and quantities of contamination removed through February 28, 2021 are listed in Tables 1 and 2.

Table 1 – Underground Storage Tank Program Performance Summary (2021)

Month	Case Closures	Directives & Orders	Workplan Approvals	Other Letters Issued	Total
January	5	16	17	39	77
February	4	11	14	33	62
Total	9	27	31	72	139

Table 2 – Contamination Removed (2021)

Month	Contaminated Soil (tons)	TPH Mass (lbs.)
January	1,133	4,707
February	N/A	N/A
Total	1,133	4,707

Updated Underground Storage Tank (UST) Program General Analytical Laboratory Guidance

In March 2021, the UST Program Laboratory Guidance was updated to include new components in the State's Low-Threat Underground Storage Tank Case Closure Policy and updates in methodological advancements. This update is a result of work with the State Water Board's Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program (ELAP) staff and commercial laboratory personnel. The draft version was also discussed with State Water Board UST Cleanup Fund and Water Quality staff as well as at the Certified Unified Program Agency Technical Advisory Group (CUPA TAG) meeting. The Laboratory Guidance update is available at https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/publications_forms/forms/ust/lab_forms/US_TLabupdate3-2021_ADA.pdf.

Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) Issued to Underground Storage Tank Cleanup Sites

The Regional Water Board Executive Officer has issued enrollment letters for coverage under the Regional Water Board's General Waste Discharge Requirements for in-situ treatment of groundwater at the following UST impacted sites: (1) Tosco Station #5939, 76 Termino (enrolled on 07/2020); (2) Mobil Station #18-LR4, 501 Las Posas (enrolled on 09/2020); (3) Unocal #5021,1345 Pacific Coastal Hwy. (enrolled on 10/2020); (4) Former Gas-To-Go, 1353 Western (enrolled on 01/2021); and (5) Former Texaco Station,

1196 Los Angeles Avenue (enrolled on 03/2021). One of the advantages of using in-situ treatment for cleanup of contaminated groundwater is to avoid extracting groundwater during the remediation process, which conserves water resources.

Surface Water Division

Groundwater Permitting & Land Disposal Section

Summary of Activities Associated with General Waste Discharge Requirements - Maggie Addington and Milasol Gaslan

From February 1, 2020 to February 28, 2021, the Executive Officer enrolled two dischargers under General Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs). The table below contains a breakdown of activities associated with the General WDRs.

No.	General Waste Discharge Requirements for In-Situ Groundwater Remediation and Groundwater Re-Injection (Order No. R4-2014-0187)	Project Manager	Date of Coverage	Date of Revision	Date of Termination
1.	6415 Atlantic Avenue / CI-10582	Ryan Nickerson	02/16/2021	--	--
2.	Jalk Fee and Continental Heat Treating Properties / CI-10557	Ann Chang	02/16/2021	--	--

Summary of Inspections

Maggie Addington and Milasol Gaslan

From February 1, 2020 to February 28, 2021, staff conducted seven pre-permitting and compliance evaluation inspections. No violations were observed, and no corrective actions were deemed necessary during the inspections.

No.	Date of Inspection	Permittee	Project Manager
1.	02/09/2021	Sunset Restaurant / CI-9845	Woonhoe Kim
2.	02/09/2021	Moon Shadows Restaurant / CI-8824	Woonhoe Kim
3.	02/10/2021	Dalton Debris Area, Glendora / CI-6438	Wen Yang
4.	02/10/2021	North Kincaid Pit / CI-10280	Wen Yang
5.	02/12/2021	Tivoli Cove WWTP / CI-5731	Ryan Nickerson
6.	02/23/2021	Lucey Residence / File No. 20-033	Ryan Nickerson
7.	02/25/2021	Sunshine Canyon City/County Landfill / CI-2043	Wen Yang

*Summary of Regulatory Actions Associated with Review of Technical Documents,
Permit Applications and Other Correspondence
Maggie Addington and Milasol Gaslan*

From February 1, 2020 to February 28, 2021, staff issued one letter regarding an incomplete application, one approval of a deadline extension for submitting a report of waste discharge, one directive to submit a report of waste discharge, one conditional approval of a partial final closure plan, one modification of an enrollment in General Waste Discharge Requirements, and one approval of a technical report for landfill closure.

No.	Date Issued	Permittee/Description	Project Manager
1.	02/01/2021	3375 Mandeville Canyon Residence / Incomplete Application for Waste Discharge Requirement / File No. 20-129	Woonhoe Kim
2.	02/18/2021	Point Dume Club Wastewater Reclamation Plant / Approval of Deadline Extension to Submit a Revised Report of Waste Discharge / CI-6618	Woonhoe Kim
3.	02/19/2021	Vista Pacifica at Broad Beach / Directive to Submit a Report of Waste Discharge / CI-7764	Woonhoe Kim
4.	02/19/2021	Calabasas Landfill Conditional Approval of Partial Final Closure Plan / File No. 60-118	Enrique Casas
5.	02/22/2021	Dow Chemical Company/ Authorization to Modify Volume and Concentration of Injected Colloidal Activated Carbon and Sulfided Zero-Valent Iron / File No. 20-072	Ann Chang
6.	02/25/2021	Reliance Pit Landfill/ Approval of Technical Report for Closure / CI-7106	Douglas Cross

Regional Programs Section

Municipal Stormwater (MS4) Permitting Program

The Municipal Stormwater Permitting Unit continues to prepare the Regional MS4 Permit for Los Angeles and Ventura Counties. The written comment period for the tentative Regional MS4 Permit ended on December 7, 2020. Staff is currently responding to comments and meeting with stakeholders to discuss comments and requested revisions to the tentative permit.

Section 401 Water Quality Certification Program

From February 11, 2021 to March 10, 2021, the Regional Water Board has received 6 new applications for Section 401 Water Quality Certification (WQC) actions.

DATE OF APPLICATION	APPLICANT	PROJECT
2/22/21	Southern California Edison	Desalination Enhancement Phase 1 Project
2/22/21	Sakioka Farms Rice Ave, TIC	Sakioka Farms Business Park
2/25/21	Barbara Hounsell	5745 Corso Di Napoli Dock Replacement
3/4/21	Los Angeles County Flood Control District	Cogswell and San Gabriel Reservoir Postfire Sediment Removal
3/4/21	San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments	Diamond Bar Golf Course Renovation Project
3/10/21	Stephen Liu	Liu Residence 11 Deodar West Lane Storm Drain Line

From February 11, 2021 to March 10, 2021, the Regional Water Board has issued 5 new Section 401 Water Quality Certification (WQC) actions.

DATE OF ISSUANCE	APPLICANT	PROJECT	ACTION
2/18/21	Los Angeles County Flood Control District	Ballona Creek Trash Interceptor Project	Conditional WQC
2/24/21	Lennar Homes	Aidlin Hills Residential Development	Conditional WQC
2/26/21	California Department of Transportation	State Route 1 Culvert Retrofit/Bridge Replacement	Conditional WQC

DATE OF ISSUANCE	APPLICANT	PROJECT	ACTION
2/26/21	Xebec Realty Partners, LLC	Xebec Easy Street	Conditional WQC
3/8/21	Bouquet Canyon Project Owner, LLC	Bouquet Canyon Project (Tentative Tract No. 82126)	Conditional WQC

Certification project descriptions for applications currently being reviewed can be viewed on our website at the following link:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeleswater_issues/programs/401_water_quality_certification/index.htm

For additional information regarding our Section 401 Program, please contact Céline Gallon at Celine.Gallon@waterboards.ca.gov.

TMDL Program

TMDL staff is finalizing new bacteria TMDLs for the Los Cerritos Channel and Alamitos Bay-Colorado Lagoon and planning for Board consideration of adoption at the June meeting. The TMDLs will address some bacteria listings that have been included on the 303(d) list of impaired waters since the early 2000s.

Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program

A draft conditional waiver of waste discharge requirements for discharges from irrigated agricultural lands was released for public comment on February 18, 2021. The proposed conditional waiver is a limited one-year renewal that carries over the findings and conditions of Order No. R4-2016-0143, previously adopted by the Regional Water Board on April 14, 2016. Ten comment letters were received by the comment deadline on March 4, 2021. Staff is preparing responses to comments and a Board package for Board consideration at the April Board Meeting.

Staff continues to review and provide comments for the water quality management plans and the annual monitoring reports submitted by the Ventura County Agricultural Irrigated Lands Group (VCAILG) and the Nursery Growers Association-Los Angeles County Irrigated Lands Group (NGA-LAILG).

Watershed Regulatory Section

Regional Water Board staff attended the seventh Technical Advisory Committee meeting for the Los Angeles River Instream Flow Criteria Technical Study on February 26, 2021. During this meeting, staff was provided with a review of the stormwater/storm drain and tidal reach modeling, the process of determining the overall flow recommendations, and the application of the sensitivity curves approach. A draft report including the flow recommendations is expected to be completed and ready for review in March 2021.

Summary of Inspections

Two NPDES permitting inspections were conducted during the month of February.

No.	Date of Inspection	Permittee	Type of Inspection	Project Manager
1	3/18/2021	Vopak Inland Terminal	Pre-permitting	Rosario Aston
2	2/25/2021	5103 W. Adams (LA), LLC-2555 South Mansfield Avenue Project, 2555 South Mansfield Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90016	Pre-permitting	Vilma Correa

Summary of General Permitting Unit Activities

During the month of February 2021, 13 dischargers were enrolled under general NPDES permits and permit coverage for 5 dischargers was terminated.

The table below shows the breakdown of the enrollments, revisions, and terminations for the General NPDES Permit for Discharges of Groundwater from Construction and Project Dewatering to Surface Waters in Coastal Watersheds of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties during the period. There are currently 32 enrollments and terminations in process.

General Construction & Project Dewatering NPDES Permit Activities during February 2021

No.	Discharger	Date of Coverage	Date of Revision	Date of Termination
1	Los Angeles Department Of Water And Power, City Trunk Line South, Whitesett Avenue & Us 101 Freeway, Los Angeles, California (CI-8849)	2/22/21	---	---
2	Water Replenishment District Of Southern California, Various Locations Regional Groundwater Monitoring Project, Los Angeles River Watershed, California (CI-8338)	2/22/21	---	---
3	Topa Management, 1800 Avenue Of The Stars, Los Angeles, California (CI-5853)	2/22/21	---	---
4	Sun Life Assurance Company Of Canada-Comstock Building, 10351 Santa Monica Boulevard, Los Angeles, California (CI-6927)	2/22/21	---	---

No.	Discharger	Date of Coverage	Date of Revision	Date of Termination
5	Santa Clarita Sanitation District Of Los Angeles County, Valencia Water Reclamation Plant, 28185 The Old Road, Santa Clarita, California (Order No. R4-2018-0125, (CI-7296)	2/22/21	---	---
6	For Fisch Properties, LP, Huntley Apartments, 733 Huntley Drive, West Hollywood, California (CI-7728)	2/23/21	---	---
7	Water Replenishment District Of Southern California, Regional Groundwater Monitoring Project, Various Locations Within The Ballona Creek Watershed, California (CI-8336)	2/23/21	---	---
8	7951 Beverly Blvd. LLC, 303 Hayworth, 303 North Hayworth Avenue, Los Angeles, California (CI-10588)	2/24/21	---	---
9	Adam Miller, Miller Residence, 21235 Pacific Coast Highway, Malibu, California (CI-10584)	2/24/21	---	---
10	Venice Waldorf, LLC, The V Hotel, 1217 South Ocean Front Walk, Venice, California (CI-10419)	---	---	2/24/21
11	1070 Bedford LLC, 1064-1070 Bedford Street, Los Angeles, California (CI-10288)	---	---	2/24/21
12	9735 Washington Owner, LLC, 9735 Washington Blvd Project, 9735 Washington Boulevard, Culver City, California (CI-10505)	---	---	2/24/21
13	CWV-Palm, LLC, 425 North Palm Drive, Beverly Hills, California (CI-10519)	---	---	2/24/21
14	355 Glendale Blvd, LLC, Inspire Echo Park, 355 Glendale Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA (CI-10590)	2/24/21	---	---
15	620 Gramercy Place Homeowners Association, 620 S. Gramercy Place, Los Angeles, California (CI-7072)	2/24/21	---	---
16	SCVWA-Import Division, Saugus Perchlorate Treatment Facility, 25401 Bouquet Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, California (CI-9799)	2/25/21	---	---
17	California Department Of Transportation, Trancas Canyon At Pacific Coast Highway Bridge Stabilization Project, 30700 PCH, Malibu, California (CI-10428)	---	---	2/26/21
18	Sloane Two Rodeo, LLC - 9480 Dayton Way., Beverly Hills, Ca (CI-7002)	2/26/21	---	---

Administrative Services Section

Personnel Report

Staffing Level

As of April 8, 2021, the Regional Water Board staffing level is **137** staff, including **132** technical staff, **5** permanent analytical staff and **2** permanent clerical staff.

Position Change

Lala Kabadaian, Water Resource Control Engineer with Enforcement, effective February 22, 2021.

New Hire

Devin DiNapoli, Engineering Geologist with Remediation, effective March 22, 2021.

