

CUPA
Performance Evaluation

Supplemental Questionnaire
-up to 75 Minutes-

State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board)

Underground Storage Tank (UST) Program:

1. What parts of the UST Program are being implemented exceptionally well by the CUPA?
2. What parts of the UST Program could the State Water Board assist the CUPA with to improve implementation?

Single-Walled and Abandoned USTs:

1. How many single-walled UST systems are currently within the jurisdiction of the CUPA?
 - a. What is the strategy for ensuring all single-walled UST systems are removed before the December 31, 2025 deadline?
2. What is the enforcement process if a single-walled UST has not been removed by the December 31, 2025 closure deadline?
3. How many abandoned USTs are within the jurisdiction of the CUPA?
4. How are abandoned USTs being inspected and tracked?

Inspections:

1. Do staff conduct the annual UST compliance inspections during the annual monitoring certification?
2. How is a compliance inspection scheduled if staff are unavailable to meet on the date/time of the 48-hour notice?

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3. How are inspection report summaries provided to the UST owners/operators?
4. Describe how staff internally collect, maintain, and manage UST facility records, other program materials required by regulations, or guidance.
5. What is the process for collecting, maintaining, and managing return to compliance documentation?
6. When is a violation closed as “not resolvable”?

Enforcement:

1. Are there any local ordinances pertaining to the UST Program and if so, when were they last updated?
2. Has any formal enforcement (red tag, AEO, or jurisdiction attorney) been applied within the last three years?
3. When was the I&E plan last updated?
4. How is return to compliance verified for violations cited during the annual UST compliance inspection?
5. Describe any additional process for tracking and enforcing violations not corrected past 60 days?

UST Operating Permits:

1. How long is the UST operating permit valid for?

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2. Are UST operating permits issued at the same time or at different times based on individual facilities?
3. What software is used for UST Operating Permit issuance?
4. Is the UST Operating Permit issued under the UPFP?

Training:

1. What is the training process for new inspectors conducting UST inspections?
2. What is the process for maintaining training for each UST inspector?
3. Describe the training that occurs with Unified Program state agencies, if any.
4. Describe any training staff have attended that has been provided by other CUPA representatives.
5. Are all UST inspection staff signed up for the UST Email Subscription at:
<https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/CAWRCB/subscriber/new?qsp=ust?>