

California Regional Water Quality Control Board
San Francisco Bay Region
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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
FOR RESCISSION OF DISCHARGE PERMITS**

Morton International Inc., Morton Salt Division
7380 Morton Avenue, Newark, CA 94560

Doug Hayes, dba California Abalone Company
Pillar Point Harbor, Half Moon Bay, CA

The above dischargers will cease discharging under National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES). Morton International Inc., Morton Salt Division, owns and operates a salt manufacturing facility that processes crude salt harvested from San Francisco Bay. It will begin routing its industrial process wastewater to the Union Sanitary District's Alvarado Wastewater Treatment Plant for treatment on May 1, 2010. Doug Hayes, dba California Abalone Company, owns and operates a small, water-based farm growing red abalone (*Haliotis rufescens*) in Pillar Point Harbor on Half Moon Bay. Because this is not a concentrated aquatic animal production facility subject to regulation under 40 CFR 122.24, an NPDES permit is unnecessary.

The Regional Water Board intends to consider adopting the tentative permit rescissions during a meeting to commence at the time and location as follows:

Time and Date:	9:00 a.m., June 9, 2010
Location:	Auditorium, Elihu Harris State Building 1515 Clay Street, Oakland

The deadline for comments is 5:00 p.m. on May 3, 2010. Comments must be sent to the **attention of Adrienne V. Miller**. Persons wishing to file written comments on or objections to the tentative permit must do so no later than this deadline so that such comments may be considered. No written comments will be accepted or responded to in writing if received after the deadline. Interested persons are invited to attend and express their views at the public hearing on this matter. The Regional Water Board will hear oral testimony but will not accept written comments after the deadline noted above.

Pursuant to section 2050(c) of Title 23 of the California Code of Regulations, any party that challenges the Regional Water Board's action on this matter through a petition to the State Water Resources Control Board under California Water Code section 13320 will be limited to raising only those substantive issues or objections raised before the Regional Water Board at the hearing or in timely submitted written correspondence delivered to the Regional Water Board.

The tentative permit and supporting documents, including comments received, may be inspected and copied at the Regional Water Board office. The tentative permit and additional information regarding this matter are also available at www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay. A response to comments will be posted on that website one week prior to the hearing. Contact Adrienne V. Miller at (510) 622-2415 or by e-mail at ADMiller@waterboards.ca.gov, with any questions on this matter.