

California Regional Water Quality Control Board
San Francisco Bay Region
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**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT AND PUBLIC HEARING
FOR
RESCISSION OF DISCHARGE PERMIT**

**Pacific Gas & Electric, Shell Pond
Bay Point, Contra Costa County**

San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board staff has prepared a tentative rescission of a permit under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System in accordance with the Federal Clean Water Act and the California Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act for the discharger named above.

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) owns the 72-acre Shell Pond. The facility was a flow-through pond for habitat enhancement. Water from an adjacent slough circulated through the pond and was discharged to Suisun Bay. PG&E ceased its discharge by filling in the discharge canal on November 20, 2011.

The deadline for comment on the tentative permit rescission is 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 28, 2014. Comments must be sent to the **attention of Bill Johnson**. Persons wishing to file written comments on or objections to the tentative permit rescission or other aspects of this matter 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.

The Board intends to consider adopting the tentative permit rescission during a meeting to commence at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 14, 2014, in the Auditorium of the Elihu Harris State Building at 1515 Clay Street in Oakland. Interested persons are invited to attend and express their views at the public hearing. The Board will hear oral testimony, but will not accept written comments after the comment deadline noted above.

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

All documents related to the tentative permit rescission may be inspected and copied at the Board office. The tentative permit rescission and any additional information and developments on this matter are also available at www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay. Board staff's response to comments will be posted on that website one week prior to the hearing. Contact Bill Johnson at (510) 622-2354 or by e-mail at Bill.Johnson@waterboards.ca.gov if you have any questions.