



# Water Boards

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD  
REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARDS

## **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 Los Angeles Water Board staff activities from the previous month, but rather provides highlights of these activities.

#### GROUNDWATER DIVISION

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#### SURFACE WATER DIVISION

##### **Jenny Newman, Assistant Executive Officer**

Groundwater Permitting & Land Disposal Section – Milasol Gaslan, Section Manager

Regional Programs Section – Dr. LB Nye, Section Manager

Watershed Regulatory Section – Dr. Jeong-Hee Lim, Section Manager

#### ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES SECTION

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#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

**Susana Lagudis, Environmental Justice and Tribal Coordinator**

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## Groundwater Division

### Compliance and Enforcement Section

**The Enforcement Report for June 2024 includes data for April 2024 in the following tables:**

<b>Table No.</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Description</b>
<b>Tables 1 - 3</b>	Enforcement Summary by Action	Enforcement actions taken by all Regional Water Board Programs
<b>Table 4</b>	EPLs Issued	Fifty (50) EPLs were issued for a total of \$639,000
<b>Table 5</b>	EPLs Settled	Two (2) EPLs were issued for a total of \$54,000
<b>Table 6</b>	Violations subject to Mandatory Minimum Penalties (MMPs)	Eighty-six (86) cases with 1,033 violations subject to MMPs remain unresolved
<b>Table 7</b>	EPL Progress (NPDES)	\$810,000 in penalties collected in FY 23/24
<b>Table 8</b>	Industrial/Construction Stormwater Program Notices of Violation (NOVs)	NOVs issued in this reporting period and the status of compliance

- Tables 1 - 3 summarize enforcement actions taken by all programs.
- Tables 4 - 8 list enforcement actions taken by the Compliance and Enforcement Section.

## Summary of Enforcement-Related Activities

### Table 1 – Informal Enforcement Actions

Action	Apr. 2024	FY 2023/2024
Notices of Violation	4	983
Notices of Non-Compliance	0	33
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1,016</b>

### Table 2 – Formal Enforcement Actions

Action	Apr. 2024	FY 2023/2024
Administrative Civil Liability Complaints	0	0
Notices to Comply	0	0
Water Code §13267 Orders	18	141
Cleanup and Abatement Orders/Amendments	15	177
Underground Storage Tank H&S/13260 Directives	9	121
<b>Total</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>439</b>

### Table 3 – Compliance Inspections

Action	Apr. 2024	FY 2023/2024
NPDES (Major Permits)	2	15
NPDES (Minor Individual Permits)	2	4
NPDES (Minor General Permits)	4	32
Stormwater (Construction)	21	417
Stormwater (Industrial)	44	656
Stormwater (Municipal)	0	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>1,133</b>

**Table 4 – EPLs Issued in April 2024**

<b>Owner/Facility</b>	<b>Date Issued</b>	<b>Type of Alleged Violation</b>	<b>Amount</b>
RRG Besh Inc./ McDonald's Restaurant at Gorman	04/24/24	Effluent	\$3,000
4733 Elmwood HOA/ 4733 Elmwood Ave	04/24/24	Effluent and Late Report	\$75,000
CPIF 812 Main, LLC/ 812 Main LLC Project	04/24/24	Late Report	\$3,000
Los Angeles County Public Works, West Coast Barrier Project – Unit 8	04/24/24	Effluent	\$3,000
Joint Outfall System, A.K. Warren WRF	04/24/24	Effluent	\$3,000
Sentinel Peak Resources California, LLC, Inglewood Oil Field	04/24/24	Effluent	\$36,000
Ajax Forge Co.	04/10/24	Late Report	\$6,000
Connell Processing Inc.	04/10/24	Late Report	\$9,000
Acorn Engineering Co.	04/10/24	Late Report	\$6,000
Mattel Toys Design Center	04/10/24	Late Report	\$6,000
CA002 Bell US Army Patton Reserve	04/10/24	Late Report	\$12,000
New Cure Inc.	04/10/24	Late Report	\$3,000
Ted Levine Drum Company	04/10/24	Late Report	\$6,000
AAA Plating Inspection Inc.	04/10/24	Late Report	\$9,000
Southern California Auto Wrecking	04/10/24	Late Report	\$3,000
S K Plating Inc.	04/10/24	Late Report	\$9,000
Brite Plating Co. Inc.	04/10/24	Late Report	\$6,000
Bowman Plating Co.	04/10/24	Late Report	\$3,000
Harbor Generating Station	04/10/24	Late Report	\$6,000
Northrop Grumman Corporation	04/10/24	Late Report	\$3,000
Tzeng Long USA Inc.	04/10/24	Late Report	\$3,000
Three Rivers Trucking	04/10/24	Late Report	\$6,000
Precision Wire Products	04/10/24	Late Report	\$15,000
Cal-Pac Chemicals Company	04/10/24	Late Report	\$18,000
Los Angeles Times	04/10/24	Late Report	\$21,000
CBS Outdoor	04/10/24	Late Report	\$6,000
Avm Industries LLC	04/10/24	Late Report	\$3,000
Nationwide Pallets Inc.	04/10/24	Late Report	\$3,000
Huntsman Advanced Materials Americas LLC	04/10/24	Late Report	\$3,000
Ace Clearwater Enterprises	04/10/24	Late Report	\$12,000
Klune Industries Inc.	04/10/24	Late Report	\$6,000

<b>Owner/Facility</b>	<b>Date Issued</b>	<b>Type of Alleged Violation</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Sherwin Inc.	04/10/24	Late Report	\$12,000
Commercial Sandblast Company	04/10/24	Late Report	\$6,000
Flores Design Fine Furniture Inc.	04/10/24	Late Report	\$24,000
Camino Real Foods, Inc.	04/10/24	Late Report	\$6,000
Ames Rubber Manufacturing Co.	04/11/24	Late Report	\$6,000
Grand Central Used Auto Parts	04/11/24	Late Report	\$12,000
Prime Plating	04/11/24	Late Report	\$15,000
Kramer Metals Inc.	04/11/24	Late Report	\$15,000
Smart and Final Stores LLC	04/11/24	Late Report	\$72,000
Cal Jun Inc.	04/11/24	Late Report	\$12,000
PPP LLC	04/11/24	Late Report	\$9,000
Ryerson	04/11/24	Late Report	\$12,000
Jackpot Auto Dismantling	04/11/24	Late Report	\$12,000
Horizon German Used Auto Parts	04/11/24	Late Report	\$21,000
A2Z Plating Co.	04/11/24	Late Report	\$9,000
B&C Plating Company	04/11/24	Late Report	\$21,000
Glendora Street Division Yard	04/11/24	Late Report	\$18,000
Miller Milling Company LLC	04/11/24	Late Report	\$36,000
Precision Powdered Metal Parts	04/11/24	Late Report	\$15,000
<b>Total</b>	---	---	<b>\$639,000</b>

**Table 5 – EPLs Settled in April 2024**

<b>Owner/Facility</b>	<b>Date Issued</b>	<b>Type of Alleged Violation</b>	<b>Date Stipulated Order Issued</b>	<b>Date Paid</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Camarillo Sanitary District/ Camarillo WRP	12/06/23	Effluent	03/13/24	04/02/24	\$27,000
Pincay RE, LLC/ Hollywood Park Lake	06/22/23	Effluent	03/13/24	04/08/24	\$27,000
<b>Total</b>	---	---	---	---	<b>\$54,000</b>

**Table 6 – Violations Subject to MMPs**

<b>Status</b>	<b>No. of Facilities</b>	<b>No. of Violations</b>
Pending	86	1,033

**Table 7– EPL Progress (NPDES) for April 2024**

<b>Action Type</b>	<b>Number of EPLs</b>	<b>Number of Violations</b>	<b>Cumulative Number of EPLs (FY23/24)</b>	<b>Cumulative Number of Violations (FY23/24)</b>
EPLs Issued	50	213	219	1,508
EPLs Settled	3	20	27	272
EPLs Withdrawn	0	0	0	0
<b>Amount Collected to Date</b>	---	---	<b>\$810,000</b>	---

**Table 8 – Notices of Violation (NOVs) Issued in April 2024**

<b>Facility Name</b>	<b>Facility Address</b>	<b>Issue Date</b>	<b>Response Due Date</b>	<b>Permit Type</b>	<b>Violations</b>	<b>Status</b>
Chiquita Canyon Landfill	29201 Henry Mayo Dr, Castaic	04/09/24	05/09/24	IGP	Discharge Prohibitions and Failure to Develop a Complete SWPPP and Implement Effective BMPs	Response received
James Scovel Property	3827 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles	04/26/24	05/27/23	N/A	Failure to submit Soil Vapor Investigation Report	Response received



## Remediation Sections I and II

### **Update on the Former Kast Property Tank Farm, Carousel Tract Residential Neighborhood, Carson**

Activities related to site investigation and cleanup work performed in April 2024 include the following:

1. To date the cleanup of 285 (100 %) properties/homes have been completed. The status of the implementation of the cleanup at the Carousel Tract are as follows:
  - a. All remediation activities including excavation and installation of remediation systems, including the sub-slab depressurization (SSD) and soil vapor extraction (SVE) / bioventing, are complete.
  - b. SVE is fully operational.
  - c. All cluster work is complete.
  - d. All residents have moved back home.
  - e. Landscape and hardscape restoration of the properties is complete. All construction punch-list items are complete.
  - f. Concrete work (sidewalk, curb & gutter, ADA ramps) throughout the Carousel Tract is complete.
  - g. Road paving throughout the Carousel Tract is complete.
2. On April 29, 2024, the Los Angeles Water Board received documents titled Sub-Slab Soil Vapor Monitoring Reports for six properties located within the former Kast Property: 353 E. 249th Street, 378 E. 249th Street, 24416 Ravenna Avenue, 24423 Ravenna Avenue, 24709 Neptune Avenue, and 24723 Panama Avenue. The reports summarize sub-slab soil vapor monitoring of volatile organic compounds and fixed gases at the six properties in accordance with the 2014 Revised Remedial Action Plan.

### **Former Athens Tank Farm / Ujima Village Apartments and Ervin Magic Johnson Regional Park (EMJRP), Los Angeles**

Activities related to the environmental site investigation of the Former Athens Tank Farm conducted in April 2024 are summarized below:

1. Recent and ongoing activities for the former Athens Tank Farm site are as follows:

Phase II SVE Activities:

  - a. SVE remediation wells SVE-04 and SVE-05 continued to be inaccessible during

April 2024 since the location of these wells continues to remain fenced off by the Ujima Housing Corporation (UHC). Access negotiations with UHC are ongoing and the wells will be sampled once access is granted. Kleinfelder will reach out to UHC staff to try resolving this matter and may request assistance from the Los Angeles Regional Board to facilitate access.

- b. As of February 29, 2024 – cumulative removal to date is approximately 788,809 pounds of VOCs and 148,794 pounds of methane have been removed from both Phase I and Phase II SVE systems.

Ongoing weekly Phase I/II remediation systems operation & maintenance (O&M).  
Phase III Remediation Systems:

- a. Groundwater monitoring wells ATF-10A (shallow) and ATF-10B (deep) continued to be inaccessible during April 2024 due to the placement of fencing by the Ujima Housing Corporation (UHC). Access to these wells is currently being negotiated with the UHC. These wells will be monitored and sampled during the next monitoring event following an access agreement. Kleinfelder will reach out to UHC staff to try resolving this matter and may request assistance from the Los Angeles Regional Board to facilitate access.
- b. Weekly Phase III remediation systems O&M activities are ongoing.

#### NAPL Recovery Trailer

1. The NAPL Recovery Trailer was fully operational during April 2024 following repair and replacement of the NAPL sensor probe.
2. The NAPL Recovery Trailer has been and continues to operate primarily on wells ATF-19B and ATF-21B; and
3. The NAPL Trailer was positioned over well ATF-21B in April 2024.
  - ▶ NAPL Tier I cumulative recovery as of February 29, 2024, using the NAPL Recovery Trailer was 4,406 gallons.
  - ▶ NAPL Tier II cumulative recovery as of February 29, 2024, using manual bailing methods was 326.3 gallons.
  - ▶ The NAPL Tier III recovery (oleophilic absorbent socks) is currently deployed in 12 wells: ATF-5B, ATF-10A, ATF-13B, ATF-22B, ATF-26B, ATF-28B, ATF-29B; KLFOB-01, KLFOB-02; and KLFSVE-01, KLFSVE-02, and KLFSVE-03. A cumulative total of 146 absorbent socks have been replaced as of February 29, 2024.

#### Air/Bio-Sparge System

1. The Los Angeles Water Board approved the Phase III Air Sparge System Shutdown Request on January 12, 2024. Therefore, the air sparge/bio-sparge system was non-operational during April 2024. All Phase III Air

Sparge System equipment, piping and wells will remain onsite for future use if necessary pursuant to the Los Angeles Water Board's letter.

2. As of February 29, 2024, the cumulative estimated mass of VOCs removed using Phase III air/bio-sparge systems was 250,842 pounds.

**Site Cleanup (Remediation Section) April 2024 Activities**

<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>File No.</b>	<b>Regulatory Action</b>	<b>Issue Date</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>CalenviroScreen 4.0 Percentile</b>
5 Star Discount Homes	Open - Remediation	255 E. Century Blvd., Los Angeles	1483	Staff Letter	04/05/24	Approval of Remedial Action Plan	95-100%
AHR Signs, Inc.	Open - Site Assessment	3400 N. San Fernando Rd., Los Angeles	1443	Email Correspondence	04/03/24	6-Month Extension Approval	95-100%
Alondra Industrial Park	Open - Remediation	15524 Carmenita Rd., Santa Fe Springs	255	Cleanup Order	04/22/24	Semiannual Progress Report Review	NA
American General Business System	Open - Site Assessment	2430 Chico Ave., South El Monte	107.2175	Staff Letter	04/12/24	Request to Submit a Chemical Storage and Use Questionnaire	95-100%
Artex Services Inc.	Open - Remediation	702 W. Anaheim St., Long Beach	678	Site Visit / Inspection / Sampling	04/15/24	Site Inspection	95-100%
Architectural Woodworking Company	Open - Remediation	576, 580, 582 Monterey Pass Rd., Monterey Park	1296	Cleanup Order	04/10/24	Extension Request Approval	55-60%
Arco East Hynes Terminal	Open - Remediation	5905 Paramount Blvd., Long Beach	211	Cleanup Order	04/30/24	Extension Request Approval	95-100%
Arco East Hynes Terminal	Open - Remediation	5905 Paramount Blvd., Long Beach	211	Response to Comments	04/10/24	Approval of Request-Reduction in East Hynes Monitoring	95-100%

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Arco Vin vale Tank Farm	Open - Remediation	8601 S. Garfield Ave., South Gate	55	Technical Correspondence / Assistance / Other	04/05/24	Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Complete Letter	95-100%
Boeing - Parcel 1	Open - Remediation	233 E. Manville St., Compton	462	Staff Letter	04/23/24	Monitoring Plan Approval	90-95%
Bonnie's Courtesy Cleaners	Open - Site Assessment	111 E. Carson St., Carson	854	Assessment Order	04/12/24	Workplan Approval	90-95%
Bonnie's Courtesy Cleaners	Open - Site Assessment	111 E. Carson St., Carson	854	Fact Sheets - Public Participation	04/30/24	Fact Sheet: Environmental Investigation and Cleanup Activities	90-95%
Brown Jordan Company	Open - Site Assessment	9860 Gidley St., El Monte	103.0059	Assessment Order	04/15/24	Extension Request Approval	90-95%
C & C Metal Finishers	Open - Site Assessment	207 Puente Ave., City of Industry	102.7238	Cost Recovery Agreement / Notice of Reimbursement	04/12/24	Cost Recovery Agreement	95-100%
Cal-Doran	Open - Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	2830 E. Washington Blvd., Los Angeles	0998B	Staff Letter	04/08/24	Response to Cleanup Plan	95-100%
Cameco Chemical Company, Inc.	Open - Site Assessment	18383 Railroad St., City of Industry	105.0058	Staff Letter	04/16/24	Request to Submit a Chemical Storage and Use Questionnaire	75-80%
Cameo Cleaners	Open - Remediation	3650 Crenshaw Blvd., Los Angeles	545	Notice of Violation	04/12/24	Notice of Violation	65-70%

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Cedarwood Site	Open - Site Assessment	3211-3217 S. La Cienega Blvd., Los Angeles	1570	Assessment Order	04/30/24	Workplan Approval	95-100%
City of Oxnard - Maintenance Yard	Open - Site Assessment	1060 Pacific Ave., Oxnard	98	Staff Letter	04/09/24	Request for Confirmation Sampling Work Plan	85-90%
Coast Plating Inc., a Subsidiary of Valence Surface Technologies	Open - Site Assessment	417 164th St., Carson	1367	Assessment Order	04/03/24	Workplan Approval	90-95%
Coast United Advertising Property (Former Henderson Property)	Open - Remediation	8714-8716 Darby, Northridge	187	Cleanup Order	04/05/24	Workplan Approval	75-80%
Commercial Inspection Services	Open - Site Assessment	156 W. Providencia Ave., Burbank	109.0884	Email Correspondence	04/02/24	Approval Technical Memo Scope of Work with Revisions	80-85%
Compton Pep Boys Facility (Former)	Open - Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	1721 & 1725 N. Long Beach Blvd., Compton	1332	Staff Letter	04/03/24	Groundwater Monitoring Program Modifications	95-100%
Curtails Aerospace	Open - Remediation	5430 San Fernando Rd., Glendale	113.0415	Technical Correspondence / Assistance / Other	04/30/24	Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment Memo	90-95%

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Dean Alco	Open - Remediation	5930 W. Jefferson Blvd., Los Angeles	142	Email Correspondence	04/15/24	Extension Request Approval	65-70%
Die Cast Products	Open - Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	621 Rosecrans Ave., Gardena	757	Staff Letter	04/15/24	Extension Request Approval	95-100%
Diversey Corporation (Former)	Open - Site Assessment	15010 E. Don Julian Rd., City of Industry	102.0015	Staff Letter	04/12/24	Regional Board Response to Cox Castle & Nicholson Letter	90-95%
Downey Industrial Center	Open - Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	9300-9400 Hall Rd., Downey	1420	Soil Management Plan	04/01/24	Approval of Multimedia Management Plan	85-90%
Fairchild Space - Manhattan Beach	Open - Remediation	1800 W. Rosecrans, Manhattan Beach	348	Staff Letter	04/15/24	Work Complete	15-20%
Former 4th Ave. Drill Site	Open - Remediation	3300 W. Washington Blvd., Los Angeles	1489	Technical Correspondence / Assistance / Other	04/22/24	Workplan Approval	90-95%
Former Ace Medical Company	Open - Site Assessment	14131 S. Avalon Blvd., Los Angeles	1456	Assessment Order	04/29/24	Review of Indoor Air/Subsurface Soil Vapor Report	90-95%
Former Airol Company	Open - Remediation	3235 San Fernando Rd., Los Angeles	112.5574	Staff Letter	04/24/24	Extension Request Approval	95-100%

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Former Aluminum Die Casting	Open - Site Assessment	3452-3464 N. San Fernando Rd., Los Angeles	1393	Technical Correspondence / Assistance / Other	04/11/24	Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment Memo	95-100%
Former Chevron Marine Terminal	Open - Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	1510 Swinford St., San Pedro	1150	Assessment Order	04/23/24	Review of Culvert Extension Request	NA
Former Ideal Metal and Salvage Company Facility	Open - Site Assessment	18700 S. Broadway, Carson	1610	Assessment Order	04/15/24	Technical Report Review	90-95%
Former Oberthur Technologies Facility	Open - Remediation	3150 E. Ana St., Compton	1408	Notice to Comply	04/12/24	Notice of Opportunity to Comply - Polywin Facility	90-95%
Former Pneumo Abex Aerospace Facility	Open - Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	3151 W. Fifth St., Oxnard	0253A	Time Extension	04/29/24	Extension Request Approval	65-70%
Former Shell Oil Company Kast Property Tank Farm	Open - Remediation	24401 Marbella Ave., Carson	SCP 1230	Notification - Public Participation Document	04/23/24	Spring 2024 Community Update	65-70%
Former Transnational Property	Open - Site Assessment	11124 Washington Blvd., Culver City	910	Assessment Order	04/22/24	Extension Request Approval	60-65%



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George Industries	Open - Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	4154 Whiteside St., Los Angeles	1405	Staff Letter	04/15/24	Extension Request Approval	95-100%
GSE Properties	Open - Site Assessment	4555 E. Gage Ave., Bell	1600	Notice of Violation	04/26/24	Notice of Violation	85-90%
H. Kramer and Company	Open - Verification Monitoring	1 Chapman Way, El Segundo	425	Technical Correspondence / Assistance / Other	04/16/24	Annual Inspection Review	NA
Henry Company	Open - Remediation	2911 Slauson Ave., Huntington Park	1093	Assessment Order	04/15/24	Workplan Review	95-100%
Hibco Parking Lot Area	Open - Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	12620 Cerise Ave., Hawthorne	1217	Staff Letter	04/18/24	Request for Continued Monitoring	90-95%
Hollyway Cleaners	Open - Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	1157 Echo Park Ave., Los Angeles	75	Email Correspondence	04/23/24	Regional Board Staff Comments on Monthly Memo Request for Information	85-90%
Hughes Missile Systems Company (Former)	Open - Remediation	8433 Fallbrook Ave., Canoga Park	693	Staff Letter	04/25/24	Response to Request for Reduction in Sampling Frequency	40-45%

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International Coatings	Open - Site Assessment	13929 E. 166th St., Cerritos	1373	Time Extension	04/02/24	Extension Request Approval	65-70%
JFL Electric Company/United Chemical (Former)	Open - Site Assessment	8251-8257 Compton Ave., Los Angeles	936	Assessment Order	04/12/24	Soil Vapor Sampling Report Review	95-100%
Joe's Plastics	Open - Site Assessment	5717-5801 District Blvd., Vernon	1445	Staff Letter	04/30/24	Work Plan Review	95-100%
JRC Industries	Open - Site Assessment	11804 Wakeman St., Santa Fe Springs	1401	Technical Correspondence / Assistance / Other	04/08/24	Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment Memo	90-95%
Kessler Property	Open - Site Assessment	1924 Doreen Ave., South El Monte	107.0859	Assessment Order	04/22/24	Workplan Approval	95-100%
La1 and La2 Well Site	Open - Site Assessment	806 N. Beaudry, Los Angeles	1359	Staff Letter	04/19/24	Approval of Revised Soil Remedial Action Plan	90-95%
Laurel Canyon Blvd. & Osborne St. Property	Open - Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	9750-9772 and 9790-9796 Laurel Canyon Blvd. and 13141-13145 Osborne St., Pacoima	1300AA	Assessment Order	04/12/24	Workplan Approval	85-90%
Leach Corporation Facility	Open - Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	5915 Avalon Blvd., Los Angeles	617	Assessment Order	04/15/24	Requirement for Expedited Indoor Air Testing	95-100%

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Leggett & Platt Facility	Open - Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	12352 E. Whittier Blvd., Whittier	601	Staff Letter	04/19/24	Approval of the Revised Vapor Intrusion Mitigation System Design & Operations and Management Plan	85-90%
Lockheed Plant B1	Open - Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	1705 Victory Pl., Burbank	104.0676	Staff Letter	04/12/24	Workplan Approval	90-95%
Lunday Thagard Refinery	Open - Remediation	9301 S. Garfield Ave., South Gate	835	Technical Correspondence / Assistance / Other	04/05/24	Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Complete Letter	95-100%
M.C. Gill Corp	Open - Site Assessment	4056 Easy St., El Monte	103.016	Assessment Order	04/15/24	Extension Request Approval	70-75%
Marrs Fabulous Cleaners	Open - Site Assessment	3623 E. Florence Ave., Bell	1016	Assessment Order	04/29/24	Review of Passive Soil Vapor Report	95-100%
McDonald's USA	Open - Site Assessment	24650-24660 Crenshaw Blvd., Torrance	1608	Assessment Order	04/26/24	Work Plan Review	45-50%
Nissan North America, Inc.	Open - Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	125 Griffith, Carson	1251	Staff Letter	04/02/24	Work Plan Review	90-95%

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Paramount Refinery	Open - Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	14700 Downey Ave., Paramount	239	Staff Letter	04/09/24	Work Plan Review	80-85%
Physicians Formula Cosmetics, Inc	Open - Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	230 S. 9th Ave., City of Industry	102.0224	Email Correspondence	04/19/24	Regional Board Staff Communication for Past Due Reports	90-95%
Playa Vista, Phase I Campus Area	Open - Remediation	12475 W. Bluff Creek Drive, Playa Vista	0773A	Referral to Other State Agency	04/02/24	Work Plan Review	35-40%
Port of Los Angeles - Berths 142-143	Open - Verification Monitoring	142-144 Berths, San Pedro	788	Time Extension	04/16/24	Extension Request Approval	NA
Riedon	Open - Site Assessment	300 Cypress Ave., Alhambra	115.0078	Assessment Order	04/03/24	Workplan Approval	70-75%
Rockwell International Corporation	Open - Remediation	6633 Canoga Ave., Canoga Park	0237A	Letter - Notice	04/08/24	Warner Garden Meeting Notice April 2024	65-70%
Shell - Mormon Island	Open - Remediation	Berths 167 - 169, Los Angeles	0229A	Cleanup Order	04/03/24	Approval of Phase 2 Interim Remedial Action Plan and Addendum	NA
Shore Terminals - Wilmington	Open - Remediation	841 La Paloma St., Wilmington	796	Staff Letter	04/15/24	Work Complete	NA

<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>File No.</b>	<b>Regulatory Action</b>	<b>Issue Date</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>CalenviroScreen 4.0 Percentile</b>
Stauffer Chemical (Former)	Open - Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	32000 26th St., Vernon	472	Assessment Order	04/03/24	Review of Groundwater Work Plan	NA
Systron Donner (Former)	Open - Remediation	14837 Califa St., Van Nuys	832	Staff Letter	04/26/24	Review of Final Soil Vapor Extraction Rebound Test Report	85-90%
Ted Levine Drum - Groundwater (Site 3)	Open - Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	1729, 1807 and 1817 Chico Ave., South El Monte	107.0445	Staff Letter	04/10/24	Extension Request Approval	95-100%
Termo Oil Site	Open - Site Assessment	6301 Pacific Coast Hwy., Long Beach	576	Staff Letter	04/15/24	Revised Work plan for Investigation	NA
Ujima Village Apartments / Former Athens Tank Farm	Open - Remediation	941 E. 126th St., Los Angeles	374	Cleanup Order	04/30/4	Well Destruction Approval	85-90%
Ultramar Marine Terminal	Open - Remediation	961 La Paloma Ave., Wilmington	295	Cleanup Order	04/23/24	Review of Request to Modify Groundwater Sampling Method	NA
Unisys Corp (Aka Former Memorex Facility)	Open - Verification Monitoring	5411 N. Lindero Canyon Rd., Westlake Village	345	Staff Letter	04/02/24	Monitoring Report Review	10-15%

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Unocal - Tosco Los Angeles Refinery, Wilmington	Open - Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	1660 W. Anaheim St., Wilmington	231	Staff Letter	04/17/24	Work Complete	50-55%
Unocal Marine Terminal	Open - Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	Berths 148-151, Los Angeles	120	Cleanup Order	04/02/24	Review of Pilot Test Work Plan	NA
Vanowen Plaza	Open - Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	22017 Vanowen St., Canoga Park	1153	Staff Letter	04/30/24	Work Plan Review	55-60%
Witco Southwest Facility	Open - Remediation	19530 S. Alameda St., Rancho Dominguez	562	Staff Letter	04/10/24	Review of Soil Vapor Assessment Report	90-95%
XIIX Twelve Strike	Open - Assessment & Interim Remedial Action	1301 E. Artesia Blvd., Long Beach	680	Cleanup Order	04/02/24	Work Plan Review	95-100%

## Underground Storage Tank Section

### ***Completion of Corrective Action at Leaking Underground Fuel Storage Tank Site for the Reporting Period: April 1 through April 30, 2024***

ExxonMobil #18-F2Q, Norwalk (Case No. I-00346A)

Approximately 78,519 pounds of hydrocarbons were removed by soil vapor extraction system.

### **Corrective Action Plan for Leaking Underground Fuel Storage Tank Site was received for the Reporting Period: April 1 through April 30, 2024**

Glenville Property LLC, Los Angeles (Case No. 900350161)

G&M Oil Station#92, Downey (Case No. R-23865)

Former Texaco Service Station#0023, Long Beach (Case No. 908070070)

Tosco – 76 Station#6965, Long Beach (Case No. 908080170)

### **Corrective Action Plan for Leaking Underground Fuel Storage Tank Site was approved for the Reporting Period: April 1 through April 30, 2024**

Thrifty Oil #253 (Former), Hawthorne (Case No. R-06497)

Thrifty #073, Carson (Case No. I-10939)

**Summaries of the Underground Storage Tank Section's performance and quantities of contamination removed through April 30, 2024, are listed in Tables 1 and 2.**

**Table 1 – Underground Storage Tank Program Performance Summary (2024)**

<b>Month</b>	<b>Case Closures</b>	<b>Directives &amp; Orders</b>	<b>Workplan Approvals</b>	<b>Other Letters Issued</b>	<b>Total</b>
January	10	20	8	33	71
February	2	17	17	36	72
March	1	11	10	25	47
April	1	18	8	30	57
<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>247</b>

**Table 2 – Contamination Removed**

<b>Month</b>	<b>Contaminated soil (tons)</b>	<b>TPH mass (lbs.)</b>
January	10,207	97,985
February	60	1
March	150	2
April	--	78,519
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,417</b>	<b>176,507</b>

**Oil & Gas Regulatory and UST Staff Lead Recruiting Effort**

On May 3rd the Geology Department at California State University Fullerton hosted a Student Research Day during which Underground Storage Tank Program and Oil and Gas Regulatory Program staff participated in recruiting events to increase awareness of state service positions. During the event, program staff Dale Dailey appeared on a question-and-answer panel where students, graduates, and alumni alike sought advice on how to enter the career field, break in and stand out in an increasingly competitive job market. After the panel, staff attended the Research Day poster session and manned an information booth where students were able to ask additional questions, discuss open positions and learn how to start the application process.

On May 8th program staff Dale Dailey and Yue Rong participated in the inaugural STEM-Adjacent Career Exploration Day, hosted by the California Institute of Technology (CalTech). Program staff operated a booth informing attendees about the Waterboards mission, open positions, desirable qualifications, and how to apply. It was the third CalTech event the Waterboards has participated in and is exciting to be recognized by the student body and to see their interest in the Waterboards grow.



## Surface Water Division

### Groundwater Permitting & Land Disposal Section

#### *Chiquita Canyon Landfill*

Chiquita Canyon landfill is a Class III municipal solid waste landfill, located in Castaic, an unincorporated community in Los Angeles County, in the Santa Clara River Watershed. It is owned and operated by Chiquita Canyon LLC, which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Waste Connections, Inc. Chiquita Canyon landfill is currently regulated under three permits: (1) Order No. R4-2018-0172 - Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) to protect water quality from disposal of solid wastes to land, including provisions for a liner, leachate containment, and groundwater monitoring; (2) Order WQ 2014-0057-DWQ (as amended by Order WQ 2015-0122-DWQ and Order WQ 2018-0028-DWQ) (commonly referred to as the Industrial General Permit) - a General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit to protect surface water quality from stormwater runoff associated with industrial activities, including provisions for effluent limits, non-stormwater discharge prohibitions, pollution prevention, and monitoring; and (3) Order WQ 2022-0057-DWQ (commonly referred to as the Construction General Permit) - a General NPDES Permit to protect surface water quality from stormwater runoff associated with construction activities (at the landfill, related to activities to upgrade the entryway and access roads), including provisions for non-stormwater discharge prohibitions, pollution prevention, and monitoring.

Since approximately May 2022, the site has been experiencing a subsurface smoldering reaction in the northwest portion of Main Canyon, an inactive area of the landfill. The reaction is causing several issues, including noxious odors and excessive production of leachate that must be pumped out of the reaction area. On September 28, 2023, the Los Angeles Water Board was notified by the Los Angeles County Local Enforcement Agency of leachate seeps at the landfill.

The Los Angeles Water Board has recently taken several permitting and enforcement actions related to the ongoing reaction and potential water quality impacts. On November 22, 2023, staff issued a Notice of Violation (NOV) to Waste Connections, Inc., for violations of the WDRs by failing to maintain adequate leachate containment systems and failing to report a leachate seep. On March 20, 2024, based on the landfill's response to the NOV and other findings, staff issued a Water Code sections 13267 and 13383 Order, requesting additional information to further assess potential impacts to surface water and groundwater, including three new groundwater monitoring wells. On March 28, 2024, staff issued an NOV for failure to comply with discharge prohibitions in the Industrial General Permit by allowing leachate to mix with stormwater and be discharged from the site. On April 9, 2024, staff issued an NOV for discharging water from the south stormwater sedimentation basin using pumping equipment and bypassing the basin's designed primary outlet and spillway. Staff are currently reviewing the responses to the investigative order and NOVs submitted by Waste Connections, Inc.

On June 6, 2024, staff denied approval of the Construction Quality Assurance Report for Cell 8b of the landfill. Cell 8b is a waste containment area located at the southern margin of Main Canyon. The landfill is currently placing waste in Cell 8a, adjacent to Cell 8b. Because of the current lack of a barrier to isolate the reaction, and the uncertainty

regarding landfill slope stability, placement of waste in Cell 8b is not appropriate at this time. Waste disposal operations in cell 8b cannot be approved until these uncertainties are resolved.

In November 2023, local, state, and federal agencies formed a Multi-Agency Critical Action Team (MCAT), led by U.S. EPA, to coordinate investigations and enforcement efforts and to ensure compliance with laws protecting public health and the environment. In March 2024, Los Angeles County, CalEPA, and U.S. EPA agreed to shift coordination into a new phase and created a Response Multi-Agency Coordination (R-MAC) Group composed of federal, state and local on-scene coordinators to interface with the landfill and its incident management team.

Staff are also participating in regular monthly community meetings hosted by Los Angeles County to discuss impacts to public health and the environment caused by the landfill reaction, provide updates on oversight, and answer questions regarding surface and groundwater quality from the community.

### *SB1215 Program Update*

Senate Bill 1215 (SB 1215) Wastewater Consolidation (WWC) Program staff continue to work closely with the State Water Board Division of Financial Assistance (DFA), public sewer service providers, and a technical assistance provider, Rural Community Assistance Corporation, to implement the WWC Program in the priority disadvantaged/severely disadvantaged communities (DACs/SDACs) within Region 4.

On April 9, 2024, staff provided the State Water Board Wastewater Needs Assessment Team staff with an updated ArcGIS map with latitudes and longitudes of Region 4 Onsite Sewage Treatment Systems.

Staff are currently working on re-screening the DACs/SDACs in the communities outside the City of Los Angeles to prepare an updated list of target communities with combined regional board screening and DFA priority screening criteria.

Staff continue to coordinate with DFA and stakeholders of DACs/SDACs on the DFA's fundable list to facilitate Clean Water State Revolving Fund funding applications for WWC in both Los Angeles and Ventura Counties.

### *Summary of Activities Associated with General Waste Discharge Requirements*

#### **General WDRs for In-Situ Groundwater Remediation and Groundwater Re-Injection (Order No. R4-2014-0187)**

<b>No.</b>	<b>Facility</b>	<b>Project Manager</b>	<b>Date of Coverage</b>	<b>Date of Revision</b>	<b>Date of Termination</b>
1.	Former Gas-To-Go Facility/CI-10400	Ann Chang	---	---	04/29/24
2.	Former Moving Solutions/CI-10229	Ann Chang	---	04/29/24	---
3.	Former Shell Service Station/CI-10665	Ann Chang	---	---	04/29/24

4.	Circle K Store #2211106/CI-10299	Ann Chang	---	---	04/29/24
5.	Southern California Innovation Park/CI-10687	Ann Chang	---	---	04/29/24

**General WDRs for Small Domestic Wastewater Treatment Systems  
(Order No. 2014-0153-DWQ)**

No.	Facility	Project Manager	Date of Coverage	Date of Revision	Date of Termination
1.	San Nicolas Island Wastewater Treatment Plant/CI-10667	Ryan Nickerson	---	04/30/24	---

*Summary of Inspections*

No.	Date of Inspection	Inspection Type	Permittee	Project Manager
1.	04/10/2024	B Type compliance	Puente Hills Landfill/File No. 57-220	Enrique Casas
2.	04/11/2024	B Type compliance	Toland Road Landfill/File No. 69-091	Enrique Casas
3.	04/17/2024	B Type compliance	Helen Keller Park - Vermont and El Segundo/File No. 12-100	Enrique Casas
4.	04/17/2024	B Type compliance	Valley Land Development - Pomona Valley Landfill/File No. 54-149	Enrique Casas
5.	04/18/2024	Pre-permitting	Doberman Pinscher Rescue/File No. 24-050	Ryan Nickerson
6.	04/24/2024	B Type compliance	Defense Fuel Support Point (DFSP) San Pedro/CI-10314	Enrique Casas
7.	04/26/2024	B Type compliance	Toyon Canyon Landfill/File No. 57-061	Douglas Cross
8.	04/26/2024	B Type compliance	Griffith Park Compost Facility/File No. 92-052	Douglas Cross

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

<b>No.</b>	<b>Date Issued</b>	<b>Permittee/Description</b>	<b>Project Manager</b>
1.	04/16/2024	Notice of Incomplete Application - Spartak Ter-Arsenyan Residence/File No. 24-044	Woonhoe Kim
2.	04/30/2024	Approval of Phase 4C Construction Plans and Details - Toland Road Landfill/File No. 69-091	Enrique Casas

## Regional Programs Section

### *Section 401 Water Quality Certification and Wetlands Program*

From April 1, 2024, to April 30, 2024, the Regional Board received 9 new applications for Section 401 Water Quality Certification (WQC) or Notices of Intent for a general WQC.

<b>DATE OF APPLICATION</b>	<b>APPLICANT</b>	<b>PROJECT</b>
4/4/2024	Rowland Water District	Rowland Water District Fuel Theft Spill Cleanup (NOI)
4/10/2024	Marathon Petroleum Co.	CARB Shore Power, Marathon Terminal 1, POLB 121 (NOI)
4/17/2024	U.S. Department of the Navy, Naval Information Warfare Center (NIWC) Pacific	In-Water Placement of the Hoka Kai (HK) Cable, San Clemente Island, California (NOI)
4/18/2024	Caltrans	VEN-101 Debris Removal from Culverts near La Conchita (RGP 63)
4/19/2024	Caltrans	VEN-1 Eroded Embankments near Point Mugu (RGP 63)
4/22/2024	California State Parks	Malibu Creek Ecosystem Restoration – Geotechnical Investigation (NOI)
4/23/2024	Los Angeles County Flood Control District	Cogswell Dam Emergency Sediment and Debris Structures
4/24/2024	Metrolink	Balboa Double Track Extension
4/30/2024	Southern California Gas Company	GTSR/PSEP-L1005-P2-Test (Emergency WDR)

From April 1, 2024 to April 30, 2024, the Regional Board issued 10 new Section 401 Water Quality Certifications (WQC) or Notices of Applicability (NOA).

<b>DATE OF ISSUANCE</b>	<b>APPLICANT</b>	<b>PROJECT</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
4/4/2024	Forest Lawn Memorial-Park Association	Forest Lawn Memorial-Park, Hollywood Hills Master Plan	WQC

4/12/2024	Port of Long Beach	Berth G234 Wharf & Pier G South Slip Fill	WQC
4/23/2024	United States Coast Guard	U.S. Coast Guard Air Station Point Mugu Project	WQC
4/23/2024	Tri Pointe Homes IE-SD, Inc.	Skyline Ranch Storm Drain and Debris Basin Maintenance	WQC
4/29/2024	United States Army Corps of Engineers	Channel Islands/Port Hueneme Harbors Maintenance Dredging Project	WQC
4/29/2024	City of Ventura	Ventura River Exposed Pipe Emergency	NOA
4/29/2024	Ventura County Public Works Agency	Old Telegraph Road Bridge #485 Emergency Repairs Project (RGP 63)	NOA
4/29/2024	Placco LLC	Petersen Ranch Bank Stabilization (RGP 63)	NOA
4/29/2024	Ventura County Public Works Agency	Camino Cielo Bridge Emergency Repair (RGP 63)	NOA
4/30/2024	City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power	Barren Ridge Renewable Transmission Line Project Line 3 - Castaic to Haskell Switching Project	WQC

Certification project descriptions for applications currently being reviewed can be viewed on our website at the following link: [401 Water Quality Certification | Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board](#)

#### Ballona Wetlands Restoration

Staff in the TMDL and Wetland and Riparian Protection Unit continue to coordinate with other agencies concerning the Ballona Creek Wetlands Sediment and Invasive Exotic Vegetation TMDL and the proposed Ballona estuary restoration. Further action by the Los Angeles Water Board is dependent on completion of the revised Environmental Impact Report (EIR) under the California Environmental Quality Analysis (CEQA) process.

## Watershed Regulatory Section

Watershed Regulatory Section staff attended the Public Meetings hosted by the Department of Toxic Substances Control Santa Susana Field Laboratory Groundwater U Workshops. A Groundwater Listening Session was held on January 23, 2024; Workshop #1 was held on February 20, 2024, Workshop #2 was held on March 12, 2022. A final Workshop in the series was held on April 4, 2024 and an on-site field visit was held on April 6, 2024.

On April 9, 2024, staff from the Watershed Regulatory and Regional Programs sections attended a tour of the San Gabriel River hosted by the Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts. The purpose of the tour was to view the monitoring locations throughout the river to provide context when reviewing monitoring reports and special studies.

On April 9, 2024, Watershed Regulatory Section staff presented at the Los Angeles WaterReuse Chapter Meeting, which was hosted by the West Basin Municipal Water District in the City of Carson. The presentation provided an overview of the Salt and Nutrient Management Plans (SNMPs), SNMPs that were adopted as amendments to the Los Angeles Water Board's Basin Plan, and the SNMPs' implementation into groundwater sustainability plans (GSPs). The audience members include recycled water project sponsors, proponents, and industry consultants. The meeting and presentation are available at the WaterReuse Los Angeles Chapter website.

On April 18, 2024 and April 25, 2024, Watershed Regulatory Section staff attended celebration of the partnership of the Los Cerritos Wetlands Authority, the Huntington Beach Wetlands Conservancy and AES for the expansion of the AES Coastal Enhancement Program in support of the restoration of the coastal wetlands in Long Beach, Seal Beach and Huntington Beach and creates environmental education programs for local youth and families with an emphasis on outreach to disadvantaged communities. As part of the time schedule order adopted for, AES Alamitos, LLC (AES), the operator of the Alamitos Generating Station, required support to fund a watershed-based best management practice(s) to address the effects of the effluent temperature, copper and/or Enterococcus and included coordination with existing AES Coastal Enhancement Program. On April 30, 2024, Watershed Regulatory Section staff attended West Basin's annual regulatory update to discuss current and upcoming projects being pursued by West Basin.

### Summary of Individual Permit Activities

#### 1. Inspections

	<b>Date of Inspection</b>	<b>Permittee</b>	<b>Type of Inspection</b>	<b>Project Manager</b>
1	4/24-25/24	City of Burbank	Pretreatment Compliance Inspection	ALT

#### 2. Adoption/Issuance/Termination

- a. Comments on the Tentative NPDES permit for the Oxnard Water Resource Recovery Facility were received by the April 18, 2024 deadline.

- b. Comments on the Tentative NPDES permit for the Avalon Wastewater Treatment Facility were received by the April 18, 2023 deadline.
- c. Comments on the Tentative NPDES permit for USC Wrigley Marine Science Center was received by the April 22, 2023 deadline.

### **Summary of General Permitting Unit Activities**

There were no enrollments and/or terminations in April 2024.

### **Summary of General NPDES Permitting Inspections**

	<b>Date of Inspection</b>	<b>Permittee</b>	<b>Type of Inspection</b>	<b>Project Manager</b>
1.	04/10/2024	1021N. Vermont Ave., Los Angeles	Termination	NJ
2.	04/15/2024	Padro Associates School Canyon Remediation Site, 1800 School Canyon Road, Ventura; CA, CI-10345	Termination	NC
3.	4/12/2024	Lincoln Property Company, 5868 Jefferson, Los Angeles, CA, CI-10656	Termination	PH



## Administrative Services Section

### Personnel Report Staffing Level

As of June 27, 2024, the Los Angeles Water Board staffing level is 160 staff, including 148 technical staff, 11 permanent analytical staff and 1 permanent clerical staff.

#### *New Hires*

**Farzad Kasmaei**, Water Resource Control Engineer with Regional Programs, effective June 3, 2024.

**Michael Franco**, Engineering Geologist with Remediation, effective June 17, 2024.

#### *Separations*

**Ashley Olmeda**, Environmental Scientist with Regional Programs separated, effective May 31, 2024.

**Robert Medina**, Engineering Geologist with Remediation II separated, effective June 10, 2024.