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Atascadero, City of	Atascadero CS	853877	Water Quality -> Sanitary Sewer Overflow/Spill/	WDR	2-Dec-09	Root intrusion caused 65 gallon sewage spill from manhole at 9184 Maple Street to storm drain and unnamed drainage tributary to the Salinas River.	Cleaned-up (mitigated effects of spill); Inspected sewer using CCTV to determine cause; Restored flow; Returned all or portion of spill to sanitary sewer system.	No further action recommended at this time.		San Luis Obispo
CA Dept of Corrections San Luis Obispo	California Men's Colony	855284	Water Quality -> Receiving Water -> Surface Water	NPDES	8-Dec-09	Daily maximum sodium limit is 50 mg/L and reported value was 79 mg/L.	No action at this time.	R-001 = 15mg/L: R-002 = 38 mg/L		San Luis Obispo
CA Dept of Corrections San Luis Obispo	California Men's Colony	855287	Water Quality -> Receiving Water -> Surface Water	NPDES	8-Dec-09	Temperature difference between sample and upstream. Instantaneous maximum limit is 5 degrees F and reported value was 7 degrees F.	No action at this time.	R-002 = 51: R-003 = 58. Increase may be due to site specific conditions, shallow, wide, no vegetation.		San Luis Obispo
Cambria CSD	Cambria CSD CS	850879	Water Quality -> Sanitary Sewer Overflow/Spill/	WDR	14-Dec-09	No alarm when lift station shut down causing 750 gallons of sewage to spill from manhole at 2282 Burton Dr. to beach. Reached Santa Rosa Creek and the ocean.	Cleaned-up, contained all or portion of spill, and restored flow. Restored power to pumps, cleaned area around pump station to creek. Disinfected area. Called tech to have alarm system checked. The pump station was wired for main utility failure but not for just the pumper controller. Discharger corrected the problem.	Discharger is implementing SSMP pursuant to Water Quality Order No. 2006-0003 (Statewide General Sanitary Sewer Order).		San Luis Obispo
Heritage Ranch CSD	Heritage Ranch WWTP	857166	Water Quality -> Effluent -> OEV	NPDES	30-Dec-09	Acute toxicity limit is 90% effluent and reported value was 55% effluent.	Process change to the sand filters. Resample reported with a 95% survival rate.	Tributary is effluent dominated.		San Luis Obispo
Hollister, City of	Hollister Domestic WWTP	854906	Water Quality -> Sanitary Sewer Overflow/Spill/	WDR	3-Dec-09	Approximately 26,000 gallons of partially treated, reclaimed water spilled to the City of Hollister Airport use area on October 9, 2009. Spill did not reach surface water.		Notice of Violation issued on 12/3/2009.	NOV	San Benito

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Little Bear Water Company	Domestic Wastewater CS	853017	Water Quality -> Sanitary Sewer Overflow/Spill	WDR	21-Dec-09	Possible fat and grease build-up within the main, but it couldn't be determined since the blockage cleared itself. It was a temporary blockage that caused 900 gallons of sewage to spill from Gravity sewer at Pine Canyon Mobile Estates to paved surface. Pumped into cleared sewer collection system. No surface water body affected.	Upon arrival at the site, team members first contained the overflow and then started clean-up activities. Main was unplugged by internal pressure build-up with the system.	No further action recommended at this time.		Monterey
Lompoc, City of	Lompoc Regional WWTP	858855	Water Quality -> Effluent -> OEV	NPDES	7-Dec-09	pH limit is 6.5 and reported value was 6.3.	Recirculation was stopped in the anoxic zone of the oxidation ditch. The pH meter was recalibrated and the pH probe redeployed.	Cause of effect uncertain, but may have been related to either excess recirculation of mixed liquor in the anoxic zone of the oxidation ditch under conditions of short sludge, retention time, or drift of pH meter or pH sensor placement. Met with City staff on February 2, 2010 regarding pH issues.	VER	Santa Barbara

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Lompoc, City of	Lompoc Regional WWTP	858856	Water Quality -> Effluent -> OEV	NPDES	8-Dec-09	pH limit is 6.5 and reported value was 6.3.	Recirculation was stopped in the anoxic zone of the oxidation ditch. The pH meter was recalibrated and the pH probe redeployed.	Cause of effect uncertain, but may have been related to either excess recirculation of mixed liquor in the anoxic zone of the oxidation ditch under conditions of short sludge, retention time, or drift of pH meter or pH sensor placement. Met with City staff on February 2, 2010 to discuss pH issues.	VER	Santa Barbara
Lompoc, City of	Lompoc Regional WWTP	858857	Water Quality -> Effluent -> OEV	NPDES	9-Dec-09	pH limit is 6.5 and reported value was 6.3.	Recirculation was stopped in the anoxic zone of the oxidation ditch. The pH meter was recalibrated and the pH probe redeployed.	Cause of effect uncertain, but may have been related to either excess recirculation of mixed liquor in the anoxic zone of the oxidation ditch under conditions of short sludge, retention time, or drift of pH meter or pH sensor placement. Met with City staff on February 2, 2010 to discuss pH issues.	VER	Santa Barbara

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Lompoc, City of	Lompoc Regional WWTP	858858	Water Quality -> Effluent -> OEV	NPDES	10-Dec-09	pH limit is 6.5 and reported value was 6.4.	Recirculation was stopped in the anoxic zone of the oxidation ditch. The pH meter was recalibrated and the pH probe redeployed.	Cause of effect uncertain, but may have been related to either excess recirculation of mixed liquor in the anoxic zone of the oxidation ditch under conditions of short sludge, retention time, or drift of pH meter or pH sensor placement. Met with City staff on February 2, 2010 to discuss pH issues.	VER	Santa Barbara
Lompoc, City of	Lompoc Regional WWTP	858863	Water Quality -> Effluent -> OEV	NPDES	31-Dec-09	pH limit is 6.5 and reported value was 6.3.	Recirculation was stopped in the anoxic zone of the oxidation ditch and the pH meter was recalibrated and the pH probe redeployed.	Exceeds monthly time limitation of 7 hr 26 min. Cause of effect uncertain, but may have been related to either excess recirculation of mixed liquor in the anoxic zone of the oxidation ditch under conditions of short sludge, retention time, or drift of pH meter or pH sensor placement. Met with City staff on February 2, 2010 to discuss pH issues.	VER	Santa Barbara

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Ocean CSD	Oceano CSD CS	858986	Water Quality -> Sanitary Sewer Overflow/Spill	WDR	4-Dec-09	Root intrusion caused 7 gallons of sewage to spill from manhole at 1490 16th street to unpaved surface. No surface water body affected.	Restored flow.	No further action recommended at this time.		San Luis Obispo
Paso Robles, City of	Paso Robles WWTP	855059	Water Quality -> Effluent -> CAT1	NPDES	3-Dec-09	Daily maximum sodium limit is 225 mg/L and reported value was 248 mg/L.	Discharger is pursuing alternative, low-sodium water from Lake Nacimiento.	New water source and new permit should correct long-standing problem.		San Luis Obispo
Pebble Beach Community Service District	Pebble Beach CSD CS	854134	Water Quality -> Sanitary Sewer Overflow/Spill	WDR	26-Dec-09	Root intrusion caused 80 gallons of sewage to spill from sewer relief valve at 1045 Rodeo Road to unpaved surface. No surface water body affected.	Cleaned-up (mitigated effects of spill); Contained all or portion of spill; Restored flow; Returned all or portion of spill to sanitary sewer system.	Discharger is implementing SSMP pursuant to Water Quality Order No. 2006-0003 (Statewide General Sanitary Sewer Order).		Monterey

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Salinas, City of	Salinas City CS	852936	Water Quality -> Sanitary Sewer Overflow/Spill/	WDR	7-Dec-09	The spill was caused by California Water Co. domestic water supply main break. The City's street sweeping operator reported water exiting a manhole structure near 325 N. Main Street. An investigation discovered water supply water main burst under concrete street and under high pressure was introducing water into nearby sanitary sewer manhole through the structural concrete riser seams at a rate faster than the sewer system could discharge. This caused a backup in the city eight inch sewer main causing it to overflow. California Water Company was called immediately and began shutting off water to all the buildings within the spill area. The clean water from the domestic water supply continued to overflow through the manhole from the time of discovery at 7:20 am until approximately 3 pm that afternoon, as a positive pressure had to be maintained to prevent cross contamination with the domestic water supply while repairs were made. An estimated 200,000 gallons of clean water was pressured through the sewer main to the discharge point at the overflow manhole during this ev	Due to the high total volume of the domestic water supply main break, the relatively small volume of effluent estimated to be mixed with the spill could not be recovered. The receiving water (Reclamation Ditch 1665) was experiencing high water, high velocity flows from a recent rain event so a recovery was not possible. With the oversight of the City staff, the California Water Company conducted a thorough cleaning and video assessment of the impacted sanitary sewer mains to confirm structural and functional integrity of the City's sewer main following this event.	Verbal Action.	VER	Monterey

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San Juan Bautista, City of	San Juan Bautista WWTP	857937	Water Quality -> Effluent -> CAT1	NPDES	31-Dec-09	30-day average chloride limit is 200 mg/L and reported value was 319 mg/L.	To come into compliance with effluent chloride limit and improve the City's overall water supply quality, the City is proceeding with design and bidding for a project to install a water softening system to reduce the hardness of all of its well water. Once completed, residents and commercial businesses will no longer need to soften water. The design of the water softening treatment plant has been completed and the pellet softening system including the lime feed and filters have been ordered. The current schedule anticipates having the system operational by the summer 2010. The pellet softener is projected to reduce the effluent chloride level below 160 mg/L as well as reduce sodium and TDS concentrations. The reductions in TDS and sodium concentrations will also improve the acceptability of using the treatment plant effluent for landscape	Subject to Mandatory Penalty.		San Benito
San Lorenzo Valley WD	Bear Creek Estates WWF	860248	Water Quality -> Effluent -> CAT1	WDR	31-Dec-09	Total nitrogen must be reduced by 50% and reported nitrogen reduction values were less than 50%.	Discharger has upgraded plant.			Santa Cruz

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San Miguel CSD	San Miguel SD WWTP	857172	Water Quality -> Effluent -> CAT1	WDR	16-Dec-09	Daily maximum chloride limit is 200 mg/L and reported value was 210 mg/L.	No corrective action proposed; it is difficult to control suspected factors. Limits will be reviewed during next update.	Primarily a residential community. Elevated salts could result from water softener use, exacerbated by treatment pond evaporation.		San Luis Obispo
San Miguel CSD	San Miguel SD WWTP	857173	Water Quality -> Effluent -> CAT1	WDR	15-Dec-09	Daily maximum sodium limit is 170 mg/L and reported value was 180 mg/L.	No corrective action proposed; it is difficult to control suspected factors. Limits will be reviewed during next update.	Primarily a residential community. Elevated salts could result from water softener use, exacerbated by treatment pond evaporation.		San Luis Obispo
San Miguel CSD	San Miguel SD WWTP	857174	Water Quality -> Effluent -> CAT1	WDR	16-Dec-09	Daily maximum total dissolved solids limit is 900 mg/L and reported value was 944 mg/L.	No corrective action proposed; it is difficult to control suspected factors. Limits will be reviewed during next update.	Primarily a residential community. Elevated salts could result from water softener use, exacerbated by treatment pond evaporation.		San Luis Obispo
Santa Barbara City PWD	El Estero CS	850219	Water Quality -> Sanitary Sewer Overflow/Spill	WDR	7-Dec-09	Root intrusion caused 800 gallons of sewage to spill from manhole at intersection of Cliff Dr. at Mesa Lane to unpaved surface. No surface water body affected.	Cleaned-up (mitigated effects of spill); Contained all or portion of spill; Inspected sewer using CCTV to determine cause; Restored flow; Returned all or portion of spill to sanitary sewer system.	No further action recommended at this time.		Santa Barbara
Santa Barbara City PWD	El Estero CS	850871	Water Quality -> Sanitary Sewer Overflow/Spill/	WDR	12-Dec-09	CCTV identified root intrusion from private lateral connection caused five gallons of sewage to spill to unpaved surface. No surface water body affected.	Cleaned-up spill; Contained all or portion of spill; Inspected sewer using CCTV to determine cause; Restored flow; Returned all or portion of spill to sanitary sewer system.	No further action recommended at this time.		Santa Barbara

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Santa Barbara City PWD	El Estero CS	852279	Water Quality -> Sanitary Sewer Overflow/Spill/	WDR	18-Dec-09	Grease deposition caused 20 gallons of sewage to spill from manhole at 15 Parker Way to other paved surface. No surface water body affected.	Cleaned-up (mitigated effects of spill); Contained all or portion of spill; Inspected sewer using CCTV to determine cause; Restored flow; Returned all or portion of spill to sanitary sewer system. City staff responded and initiated control, containment, and recovery procedures and will take enforcement action against restaurant.	No further action recommended at this time.		Santa Barbara
Santa Barbara City PWD	EL ESTERO WWTP NPDES	856993	Water Quality -> Effluent -> OEV	NPDES	2-Dec-09	Daily maximum chronic toxicity limit is 121 TUc and reported value was 178 TUc.	City resampled effluent to verify results.	No other effluent violations occurred during the same time period. City resampled effluent to verify results.		Santa Barbara
Santa Cruz, City of	Santa Cruz City CS	851941	Water Quality -> Sanitary Sewer Overflow/Spill	WDR	18-Dec-09	Debris caused 25 gallons of sewage to spill from sewer system structure at 111 Ocean Street to sidewalk area, street, curb, and gutter. No surface water body affected.	Cleaned-up (mitigated effects of spill); Contained all or portion of spill; Restored flow; Returned all or portion of spill to sanitary sewer system.	Discharger response was adequate. No further action recommended at this time.		Santa Cruz
Santa Cruz, County of	Santa Cruz County CS	850172	Water Quality -> Sanitary Sewer Overflow/Spill/	WDR	7-Dec-09	Twenty gallons of sewage spilled from clean out at 2331 7th Ave Santa Cruz to street/curb and gutter. No surface water body affected. Unknown cause.	Cleaned-up (mitigated effects of spill).	No further action recommended at this time.		Santa Cruz
Santa Maria, City of	City of Santa Maria CS	850095	Water Quality -> Sanitary Sewer Overflow/Spill	WDR	6-Dec-09	Grease blockage caused 200 gallons of sewage to spill from manhole at Mc Elhany Basin to storm drain, street/curb and gutter. No surface water body affected.	Cleaned-up (mitigated effects of spill); Returned all or portion of spill to sanitary sewer system. Cleared plugged line.	Blockage cleared, spill area cleaned up. No further action recommended at this time.		Santa Barbara

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Scotts Valley, City of	Scotts Valley CS	854132	Water Quality -> Sanitary Sewer Overflow/Spill/	WDR	28-Dec-09	Water used to clean up biosolids spill on roadway caused 15 gallons of sewage to spill from Mount Hermon Road at Glen Canyon Road storm drain and Carbonera Creek.	Cleaned-up (mitigated effects of spill).	No further action recommended at this time.		Santa Cruz
Seaside Co. SD	Seaside Co. SD CS	849753	Water Quality -> Sanitary Sewer Overflow/Spill	WDR	2-Dec-09	Grease deposition caused 40 gallons of sewage to spill from gravity sewer at 942 Hilby to unpaved surface. No surface water body affected.	Cleaned-up (mitigated effects of spill); Restored flow.	No further action recommended at this time.		Monterey
South County Regional WW Authority	SCRAW CS	854235	Water Quality -> Sanitary Sewer Overflow/Spill/	WDR	30-Dec-09	Root intrusion caused 30 gallons of sewage to spill from manhole at La Selva to street/curb and gutter. No surface water body affected.	Cleaned-up (mitigated effects of spill); Contained all or portion of spill; Inspected sewer using CCTV to determine cause; Restored flow; Returned all or portion of spill to sanitary sewer system.	Discharger response was adequate. No further action recommended at this time.		Santa Clara
Summerland SD	Tertiary CS	851330	Water Quality -> Sanitary Sewer Overflow/Spill/	WDR	8-Dec-09	Root intrusion caused 50 gallons of sewage to spill from manhole at 2426 Golden Gate to yard. No surface water body affected.	Inspected sewer using CCTV to determine cause; Restored flow; Used jetter to clean mainline and restore flow. Unable to remove entire root ball with jetter so hired a contractor to excavate mainline, remove section of faulty pipe and replace with new. Mainline back in service.	No further action recommended at this time.		Santa Barbara
Watsonville, City of	Watsonville CS	850271	Water Quality -> Sanitary Sewer Overflow/Spill	WDR	7-Dec-09	Liner in sewer main was found to have deformed/melted resulting in a blockage in the sewer line causing 40,000 gallons of sewage to spill from gravity sewer; manhole at Calpine Cogeneration to storm drain and Pajaro River.	Inspected sewer using CCTV to determine cause. Halted discharge from facility until pipe can be removed and replaced.	Discharger response was adequate.		Santa Cruz

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