

**REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN DIEGO REGION**

**EXECUTIVE OFFICER SUMMARY REPORT
APRIL 9, 2025**

ITEM 4

SUBJECT

County of Orange and the Orange County Flood Control District Presentation on Orange County's *Water Quality Ordinance Implementation Agreement: A Collaborative effort between Orange County Flood Control District and 31 Orange County Cities* (Laurie Walsh)

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Informational item only; no recommendation.

KEY ISSUE

This item will provide the San Diego Water Board with an opportunity to gain a better understanding of just one of the ways Orange County permittees implement their respective *Illegal Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDDE)* programs; a key element in improving the quality of Orange County's receiving waters.

PRACTICAL VISION

The San Diego Water Board's mission is to protect and restore the chemical, physical, and biological integrity (i.e., health) of waters in the San Diego Region. Chapter 1 of the Board's Practical Vision is in place to ensure Water Board resources implement an outcome focused approach to achieving healthy of waters in the San Diego Region. IDDE programs are required by the Regional Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit. Each of the region's 39 municipal copermittees have IDDE programs. Illegal discharge detection and response programs implemented by municipalities are one of the ways the Board uses its existing authorities to regulate discharges into municipal separate storm sewer systems for the protection of beneficial uses.

DISCUSSION

Amanda Carr, County of Orange Deputy Director of Environmental Resources, will provide a presentation showcasing the County's long standing IDDE program. Orange County municipal stormwater Copermittee's report this program to be a substantial contributor to the improvement seen in San Juan watershed receiving water quality since program inception in 2001.

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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None.