

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

NOTICE OF PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND STIPULATED ORDER

in the matter of
Novato Sanitary District
500 Davidson Street
Novato, Marin County

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region (Water Board) Prosecution Team and the Novato Sanitary District have entered into a proposed Settlement Agreement and Stipulated Order. The proposed Settlement Agreement and Stipulated Order impose an administrative civil liability against the Novato Sanitary District in the amount of \$354,240.72 for alleged violations including sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs), an effluent limit violation, and unauthorized discharges.

This proposed liability is based on allegations of 24 SSOs between September 2007 and January 2011, an effluent limit violation for total suspended solids between March 17-19, 2007, and unauthorized discharges of chlorinated effluent on March 13 and 14, 2007, and process "sludge" on January 4 through 6, 2011. The settlement of these alleged violations includes a \$203,862 payment to the State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account, \$140,138 in funding for Supplemental Environmental Projects, and a \$10,240.72 reimbursement for costs incurred by the California Department of Fish and Game.

The proposed Settlement Agreement and Stipulated Order are available at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/public_notices/pending_enforcement_shtml. Persons may comment on the proposed Settlement Agreement and Stipulated Order by submitting written comments no later than 5:00 p.m. on June 25, 2012.

For additional information and updates, please contact prosecutorial staff Brian Thompson at 510 622-2422 or brthompson@waterboards.ca.gov or check the Water Board website link cited above for documents and future developments associated with this matter.

Dated: May 24, 2012