CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

NOTICE OF PENDING ENFORCEMENT ACTION EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region (Water Board) Prosecution Team issued a Complaint for Administrative Civil Liability (ACL) on February 18, 2011. The Complaint alleges that East Bay Municipal Utility District (Discharger) is responsible for unpermitted discharges of approximately 4,200 gallons of chlorinated water into Sausal Creek in Oakland and approximately 23,400 gallons of sediment-laden potable drinking water into Reliez Valley Creek in Lafayette, and proposes that the Discharger pay \$76,600.

The Complaint and related documents, including the procedure for Water Board hearings (with deadlines for submitting comments), are available at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/public_notices/pending_enforcement.shtml. The Prosecution Team may amend and re-notice its Complaint in response to comments from the Discharger or the public.

The Water Board will hold a hearing on May 11, 2011, to consider adoption of the ACL and/or referral of the matter to the Attorney General, unless the Discharger waives its right to a hearing within 90 days. The 90-day hearing requirement may be waived to pay the penalty as proposed, extend deadlines, or pursue settlement and/or a supplemental environmental project.

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