

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

EXECUTIVE OFFICER SUMMARY REPORT
MEETING DATE: May 11, 2011

ITEM: **6A**

SUBJECT: **City of Pacifica, Calera Creek Water Recycling Plant and Sanitary Sewer Collection System, Pacifica, San Mateo County – Adoption of Cease and Desist Order**

CHRONOLOGY: October 2006 - NPDES Permit Reissued

DISCUSSION: The attached Revised Tentative Cease and Desist Order (CDO) would require the City of Pacifica to correct the causes of sanitary sewer overflows and to reduce inflow and infiltration into its collection system. High inflow and infiltration have contributed to overflows from the City's collection system, as well as a bypass of 6.9 million gallons of partially treated wastewater in 2008. In addition to specific improvements the City would be required to implement over time, the Revised Tentative CDO includes numeric standards for SSOs that would require the City to ratchet down its overflow rate with full compliance by 2020.

In summary, the Revised Tentative CDO will require the City to:

- Improve maintenance and operation through a complete collection system condition assessment and a computerized tracking system to help identify and schedule strategic and preventative measures;
- Reduce inflow from illicit connections through a program to identify and eliminate those connections;
- Assure adequate capacity by evaluating collection system capacity and implementing necessary capital improvements; and
- Reduce infiltration from defective private sewer laterals by considering a city ordinance that would require lateral inspection and necessary repair or replacement upon point of sale or major remodel.

The Board's Prosecution Team distributed a draft CDO proposing these requirements for public review. The City and the Bay Area Clean Water Agencies (BACWA) provided comments (Appendix C), and the Prosecution Team made revisions as described in the Response to Comments (Appendix D). All revisions are reflected in the Revised Tentative CDO (Appendix A). BACWA has indicated it will not contest, and the City, as part of the settlement of administrative penalties (Appendix B), has agreed not to contest the Revised Tentative CDO. I expect this item to remain uncontested.

RECOMMEND-
ATION: Adoption of the Revised Tentative Cease and Desist Order.

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Appendices:

- A. Revised Tentative Cease and Desist Order
- B. Settlement Agreement and Stipulated Order No. R2-2011-0022
- C. Comment Letters
- D. Prosecution Team Response to Comments

APPENDIX A
Revised Tentative Cease and Desist Order

APPENDIX B
Comment Letters

APPENDIX C
Prosecution Team Response to Comments