

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

NOTICE OF PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND STIPULATED ORDER
in the matter of
CITY OF PETALUMA
SONOMA COUNTY

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region (Water Board) Prosecution Team and Sonoma Valley County Sanitation District (Discharger) have entered into a proposed Settlement Agreement and Stipulated Order. The proposed Settlement Agreement and Stipulated Order impose an administrative civil liability against the Discharger in the amount of \$235,200 for reporting violations and unauthorized discharges to waters of the United States.

This proposed liability is for alleged violations of the Clean Water Act Section 301 and National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit for 13 sanitary sewer overflow reporting violations from January 7, 2013, to March 1, 2016, and 4 sanitary sewer overflows totaling approximately 522,000 gallons to waters of the United States on December 11, 2014.

The proposed Settlement Agreement and Stipulated Order proposes that up to \$117,600 of the total liability may be applied towards a supplemental environmental project. The project will enhance existing efforts to remove trash and debris from the Petaluma River and its watershed by expanding annual cleanup event efforts led the Friends of the Petaluma River, and by supporting Petaluma Police Department's efforts to identify and cleanup homeless encampments.

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 August 10, 2017.

For additional information and updates, please contact prosecutorial staff Michael Chee at (510) 622-2333 or michal.chee@waterboards.ca.gov or check the Water Board website link cited above for documents and future developments associated with this matter.

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