

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

STAFF SUMMARY REPORT: Kerry O'Connor
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ITEM: 6C

Sausalito-Marín City Sanitary District, Sausalito-Marín City Sanitary District Wastewater Treatment Plant and its wastewater collection system, Sausalito, Marin County – Reissuance of NPDES Permit

DISCUSSION:

This Revised Tentative Order (Appendix A) would reissue the NPDES permit for the Sausalito-Marín City Sanitary District's wastewater treatment plant and collection system. The plant provides secondary treatment of about 1.3 million gallons (MGD) per day of domestic wastewater collected from the City of Sausalito, unincorporated areas of Marin County including Marin City, part of the Tamalpais Community Service District, and the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (National Park Service). The District discharges the treated effluent to Central San Francisco Bay.

The Revised Tentative Order would continue to allow the District to discharge secondary treated wastewater to Central San Francisco Bay. The previous order authorized the District to bypass biological treatment during wet weather when flows exceeded its biological treatment capacity. During the previous order term, the District upgraded its treatment plant, which increased its secondary treatment capacity from 6.0 MGD to 9.0 MGD, and increased its hydraulic capacity to 12 MGD. The Revised Tentative Order approves wet weather bypasses of biological treatment when flows exceed 9.0 MGD.

We circulated the Tentative Order for public review and received one comment (Attachment B) from the District. The District requests that we revise the Tentative Order to require that it complete the design phase and begin construction of a pump station rehabilitation project instead of complete construction by April 3, 2028. We prepared a response to the comment (Appendix C) that accommodates the District's request and explains revisions made to the Revised Tentative Order. We also made a few minor editorial and formatting changes to the Revised Tentative Order and expect this item to remain uncontested.

APPENDIX:

- A. Revised Tentative Order
- B. Comments
- C. Response to Comments

Appendix A
Revised Tentative Order

Appendix B

Comments

For an electronic copy of the comments, please contact Kerry O'Connor via email at Kerry.OConnor@waterboards.ca.gov or at (510) 622-2465.

Appendix C
Response to Comments