

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

STAFF SUMMARY REPORT: Joseph Martinez
MEETING DATE: September 11, 2024

Item: 10

Alameda County, Municipal Regional NPDES Stormwater Permit Permittee –
Termination of Cease and Desist Order No. R2-2018-0031 Issued to the County of Alameda

CHRONOLOGY

December 2015 – Permit issued with trash reduction requirements

June 2018 – Cease and Desist Order adopted

DISCUSSION

The Tentative Order (Appendix A) would terminate Cease and Desist Order No. R2-2018-0031 (CDO) for the County of Alameda (County). The Board adopted the CDO in response to the City's violation of the requirement in the Municipal Regional Stormwater NPDES Permit (Permit) to achieve a 70 percent trash load reduction, from its 2009 baseline, by July 1, 2017.

The County completed installation, in October 2019, of two large full trash capture devices that collectively control 65.1 percent of the County's moderate, high, or very-high trash generation rate area. Combined with previously implemented controls, these measures add up to a total trash load reduction of 83.5 percent. Therefore, the County is now in compliance with the 70 percent trash load reduction and the Permit requirement to achieve an 80 percent trash load reduction by July 2019. The County did not meet the 90 percent trash load reduction compliance benchmark by June 30, 2023. The County submitted an updated Trash Load Reduction Plan that anticipates installation of three large trash capture devices and 115 insert-based devices by December 2024 to meet the current 90 percent compliance benchmark.

APPENDIX

A. Tentative Order