

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

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

Item: 11

City of Hercules, Municipal Regional NPDES Stormwater Permit Permittee –
Termination of Cease and Desist Order No. R2-2018-0029 Issued to the City of
Hercules

CHRONOLOGY

December 2015 – Permit issued with trash reduction requirements
June 2018 – Cease and Desist Order adopted

DISCUSSION

This Tentative Order, Appendix A, would terminate Cease and Desist Order (CDO) No. R2-2018-0029 for the City of Hercules (City). The Board adopted the CDO in response to the City's violation of the requirement in the Municipal Regional Stormwater NPDES Permit to achieve a 70 percent trash load reduction, from its 2009 baseline, by July 1, 2017.

The City installed, by March 2019, 64 small full trash capture devices that control an additional 70 percent of baseline trash generating area. The City accomplished these installations in part through implementation of an ordinance that required installation of trash capture devices on private parcels connected to the City's storm drain system. By July 2019, the City achieved a trash load reduction of 80 percent from full trash capture devices alone. Therefore, the City is now in compliance with the 70 percent trash load reduction, as well as the Permit requirement to achieve an 80 percent trash load reduction by July 2019. The City of Hercules has also met the current 90 percent compliance benchmark in the current Municipal Regional Stormwater Permit, Order No. R2-2022-2018.

APPENDIX

A. Tentative Order