

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

STAFF SUMMARY REPORT – Chuck Headlee
MEETING DATE: July 11, 2007

ITEM: 5.G

SUBJECT: LEAKING UNDERGROUND FUEL TANK CLEANUP PROGRAM – Status Report

DISCUSSION: Attached are three tables indicating progress made during fiscal year 06-07 toward our underground storage tank (UST) program goals. As shown on the attached tables we exceeded our goals for closures (31/30), for reviewing monitoring reports (379/350), and preparing enforcement letters (411/400). The majority of these enforcement letters are enforceable orders for technical reports, typically requiring investigations to determine the source and extent of contamination and proposal of a cleanup plan.

With the addition of a new Board staff member in November 2006, we have a full complement of staff in the UST program. This allowed us to address 65 cases transferred to us from the City of San Rafael when the City opted out of the UST program last year. We have already closed eight of those cases.

We have three students assisting Board staff in the UST program this fiscal year, due to funding from USEPA. This has not only helped us exceed our case closure goals, but we have been able to get ahead of some administrative duties. We have reconciled Geotracker data and been writing letters to responsible parties reminding them of their statutory requirements to upload all data and reports to Geotracker, the State Board's database accessible to the public that tracks progress at all cleanup sites statewide.

The Board's UST program staff hosted a Bay Area UST Program Roundtable in early June. Representatives from the seven local oversight programs, four local implementing agencies, the State Board, and USEPA attended. We had an open discussion of program goals and expectations, various technical topics, and directions for future roundtables. We intend to make this a semi-annual event to foster communication and coordination among the various local cleanup programs and the Board.

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DATION: This is an information item only and no action is necessary.

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Appendix A - UST Workplan Progress Summary Tables