



Compliance and Enforcement Fact Sheet

Fiscal Year (FY) 19/20

Overview of the Program

The Water Boards have authority under the Water Code to regulate activities or factors that may affect the quality of the waters of the state. The Water Boards' compliance and enforcement actions are guided by the State Water Board's Enforcement Policy.

Three Core-Regulatory Programs under the Central Valley Water Board's Compliance and Enforcement Program are:

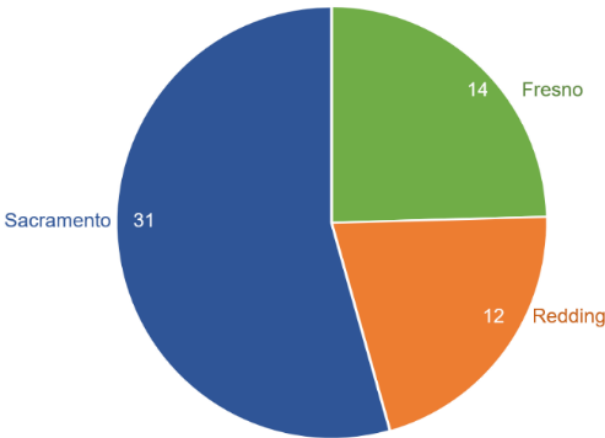
- The National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Program– regulates point-source and storm water discharges to surface waters;
- The Land Disposal Program (Title 27) – regulates certain solid and liquid waste discharges to land;
- The WDR Program (Non-Chapter 15) – regulates sewage and other wastewater discharges to land that are exempt from Title 27.

Program Goals

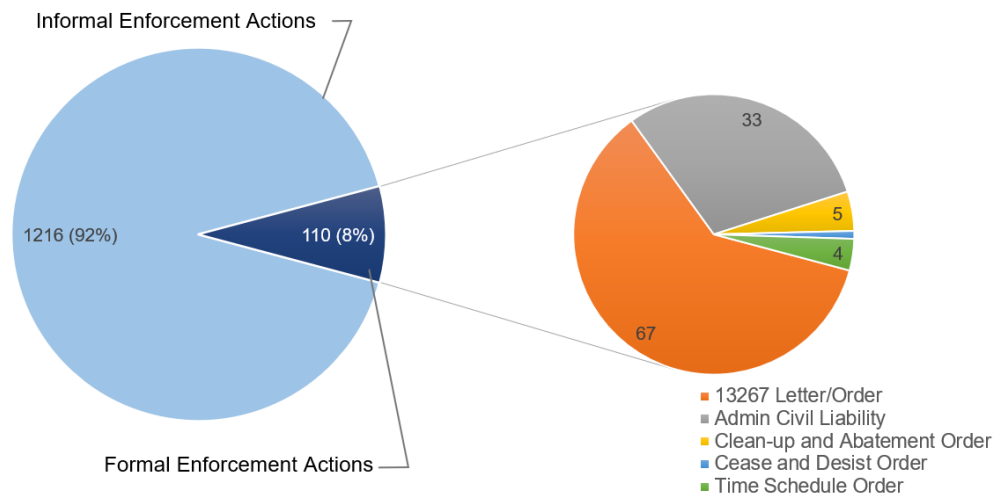
The goals of the Compliance and Enforcement program are:

- To foster consistency throughout the Region for all staff working in compliance and enforcement;
- Provide guidance for all staff tasked with enforcement actions; and,
- Generate a fair and respected enforcement presence within the regulated community.

Resources



Compliance and Enforcement Activities in FY 18/19



Accomplishments FY 18/19

- Core Activities: Compliance and enforcement activities are summarized in the chart above. From a statewide perspective, the Central Valley Water Board accounted for 31% of all enforcement actions.
- CalEPA's Environmental Justice Initiative: Based on community input, staff inspected 30 sites in Stockton with industrial or construction stormwater permits.
- Steelhead Creek Cleanup: Staff helped coordinate local agencies to remove trash from homeless camps the lower stretch of Steelhead Creek, a vital habitat for steelhead trout and Chinook salmon.
- Fire Response: Staff responded to the Carr Fire, Camp Fire, and Mendocino Complex Fire by conducting assessments of burned areas, securing funding for sediment and erosion controls, and conducting water sampling.

Priority Projects FY 19/20

- Ensure Compliance with CV-SALTS Program: The Salt and Nitrate Control Program provides a framework to regulate salt and nitrate throughout the Central Valley in a sustainable manner. Staff will develop a strategy to issue, track, and enforce the required milestones.
- Implement Business Rules Ensure More Accurate Tracking: C/E staff will be working with Program Managers to review their program databases, identify any issues with data entry, and write business rules to clarify data entry processes where needed.