

California Regional Water Quality Control Board
North Coast Region

MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM NO. R1-2013-0053

FOR

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

FOR

DISCHARGES ASSOCIATED WITH TRANSPORTATION STRUCTURE MAINTENANCE
ACTIVITIES

Regionwide

California Water Code section 13267 authorizes the Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) to require technical and monitoring reports. This monitoring and reporting program establishes monitoring and reporting requirements, which implement state regulations. Any person failing to furnish technical or monitoring reports or falsifying any information therein is guilty of a misdemeanor, and may be subject to civil liability. (Water Code section 13268)

MONITORING

The following monitoring program shall be conducted whenever there is any waste discharge from transportation structure maintenance activities to surface waters or locations where these materials could pass into surface waters. Fugitive pollutants that escape from the bridge, work area, or containment system constitute a waste discharge.

The monitoring schedule shall continue until the discharge stops. Photos of the affected waterway in the area of the discharge shall be taken, at the site of discharge, immediately downstream as well as immediately upstream from the affected area. The distance that visible pollutants can be detected shall be measured, documented, and reported.

REPORTING

Monitoring reports shall be submitted to the Regional Water Board monthly by the first day of the second month following the monitoring period. If no discharge occurs, no monitoring report need be submitted.

The monitoring reports shall contain a detailed map showing the location of the photo points and photos. If the Permittee is unable to collect photos for any reason, the monitoring report shall so indicate.

NOTIFICATION

In the event of a discharge to surface water or locations where these materials could pass into surface waters, the Permittee shall notify the Regional Water Board immediately by telephone and confirm this notification in writing within two weeks of the telephone notification. The written notification shall include pertinent information explaining reasons for the noncompliance and shall indicate the steps taken to correct the problem, the dates thereof, and the steps being taken to prevent the problem from recurring.

All reports required by this monitoring and reporting program or other information requested by the Regional Water Board or the State Water Resources Control Board shall be signed by the Permittee's principal executive officer or a duly authorized representative of that person. Any person signing a document under this requirement shall make the following certification:

"I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations."

Original Signed By

Ordered by: _____

Matthias St. John
Executive Officer

August 5, 2013