

2013-14 Fee Schedules

CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS TITLE 23. Division 3. Chapter 9. Waste Discharge Reports and Requirements Article 1. Fees

Section 2200. Annual Fee Schedules

Each person for whom waste discharge requirements have been prescribed pursuant to Section 13263 of the Water Code shall submit, to the State Board, an annual fee in accordance with the following schedules. The fee shall be submitted for each waste discharge requirement order issued to that person.

An ambient water monitoring surcharge will be added to each individual fee as required. The ambient water monitoring surcharge for all discharges pursuant to subdivisions (a) and (c) is 9.5 percent of the calculated fee; the surcharge for all discharges pursuant to subdivision (b) is 21 percent of the calculated fee. The surcharge shall be applied to all permits prior to other surcharges prescribed herein.

(b) The annual fees for persons issued NPDES permits shall be based on the following schedules, plus applicable surcharge(s).

(1)(A) Each public entity that owns and/or operates a storm water conveyance system, or part of such a system, that is subject to a NPDES permit for storm water discharges from a municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) shall pay an annual fee according to the following schedule, plus applicable surcharge(s). The fee shall be based on the population of the public entity according to the most recently published United States Census. For public entities other than cities or counties (Non-Traditional Small MS4s¹¹), shall pay an annual fee according to the following schedule, plus applicable surcharge(s), based on the average daily population using the entities facilities. Flood control districts or other special districts named as co-permittees to MS4 permits and school districts, serving students between kindergarten and fourteenth grade, shall not pay an annual fee if the city or county within whose jurisdiction the district lies, pays an annual fee.

ANNUAL FEE SCHEDULE FOR AREAWIDE MUNICIPAL STORM WATER SEWER SYSTEM PERMITS AND CO-PERMITTEES	
Population equal to or greater than 250,000	\$52,856
Population between 200,000 and 249,999	\$46,249
Population between 150,000 and 199,999	\$39,905
Population between 100,000 and 149,999	\$33,036
Population between 75,000 and 99,999	\$26,429
Population between 50,000 and 74,999	\$19,820
Population between 25,000 and 49,999	\$13,214
Population between 10,000 and 24,999	\$7,929

¹¹ Non-Traditional Small MS4s are facilities that have systems similar to separate storm sewer systems in municipalities, such as systems at military bases, large hospital or prison complexes, and highways and other thoroughfares. (40 C.F.R. §122.26(b)(16)(iii)).

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Population between 1,000 and 9,999	\$5,285
Less than 1,000 population	\$2,644
Statewide Permit Holders	\$211,423

(B) Dischargers applying for the Small MS4 Waiver of a General Permit to Discharge Storm Water Associated with Small Municipal Activity issued by the State Water Board shall pay an application fee of \$200, plus any applicable surcharge(s).

(2) Any entity or entities submitting a watershed improvement plan to the Regional Board for review pursuant to Section 16102 of the Water Code shall reimburse the Regional Board for its costs¹² to review and oversee the implementation of the plan, which shall be calculated using a rate of \$150.00 per hour.

(3) Facilities that discharge storm water associated with industrial activities that are regulated by a State Board or Regional Board general NPDES storm water permit, shall pay an annual fee of \$1,480, plus applicable surcharge(s). An amount equal to the fee prescribed shall be submitted with the discharger's Notice of Intent (NOI) to be regulated under a general NPDES permit and will serve as the first annual fee. For the purposes of this section, an NOI is considered to be a report of waste discharge.

(4)(A) Storm water discharges associated with construction activities that are regulated by a general NPDES storm water permit other than those covered under (b)(5), including those issued by a Regional Board, shall pay an annual fee of \$423 plus \$42 per acre (rounded to the nearest whole acre and dollar amount), to a maximum fee of \$4,641, plus any applicable surcharge, based on the total acreage to be disturbed during the life of the project as listed on the NOI. An amount equal to the fee prescribed shall be submitted with the discharger's NOI to be regulated under a general NPDES permit and will serve as the first annual fee. For the purposes of this section, an NOI is considered to be a report of waste discharge.

(B) Dischargers applying for the Small Construction Rainfall Erosivity Waiver of a General Permit to Discharge Storm Water Associated with Construction Activity issued by the State Water Board shall pay an application fee of \$200, plus any applicable surcharge(s).

(5) Storm water discharges associated with small linear underground and overhead construction projects, that include but are not limited to, any conveyance, pipe or pipeline for the distribution of any gaseous liquid (including water for domestic municipal services or wastewater), liquescent, or slurry substance; any cable line or wire for the transmission of electrical energy; and any cable line or wire for communications, that are regulated by a general NPDES storm water permit are subject to the following annual fees, plus applicable surcharge(s):

Tier I: \$10,572 for each region in which activities subject to the permit are conducted, or
Tier II: A fee as prescribed by (b)(4)(A), based on the area covered by the project.

¹² These costs include labor, State Board and Regional Board administrative costs, and overhead costs.