

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA
REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL COAST REGION**

STAFF REPORT FOR REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 31-FEBRUARY 1, 2013

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SUBJECT: Enforcement Report

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DISCUSSION

Violations Listing

Staff uses the California Integrated Water Quality System (CIWQS) to track Water Board data, including violations and enforcement actions. Attachment 1 is a CIWQS list of violations by dischargers between September 1, 2012, and October 31, 2012. CIWQS has a sewer system overflow (SSO) module that provides tracking and reporting of such spills.

Significant or Notable Violations

- Nipomo CSD, Southland Treatment Facility: Nipomo Community Services District in the process of a major upgrade to the treatment facility. Rerouting of flows and processes changes have caused biological oxygen demand and suspended solids violations. The violations are temporary during construction.
- Paso Robles City WWTP: City staff report that they have prequalified contractors for the plant upgrade and expect to open bids in late January 2013. They may miss the Water Board-imposed deadline to issue a notice to proceed by a few weeks, but they are otherwise on track.
- South San Luis Obispo County Sanitation District: The violations list includes several fecal coliform violations for the District. Water Board staff issued a notice of violation in December 2012 and met with District staff. The NOV requires the district to submit a report describing the cause of the violations and the District's proposed solutions.

Summary of Enforcement Activities

The following information summarizes significant enforcement actions taken by the Water Board during the period between October 1, 2012, and November 30, 2012.

Staff Enforcement Letters

- City of Morgan Hill, Stormwater Management Program, Santa Clara County
- Santa Barbara County Flood Control District, Santa Maria River Pilot Channels, Santa Barbara County
- City of San Luis Obispo, Stormwater Management Program, San Luis Obispo County

Notices of Violation

- Cal Trans, Route 46 Corridor Improvement Project, San Luis Obispo County
- City of Salinas Stormwater Management Program, Monterey County

- City of Grover Beach Stormwater Management Program, San Luis Obispo County
- Lucas and Lewellen Vineyards, Inc., Buellton, Santa Barbara County
- Apio Incorporated, Guadalupe, Santa Barbara County
- Salinas Valley Solid Waste Authority, Jolon Road Closed Landfill, Monterey County
- City of Monterey, Schulte Road Bridger Replacement Project, Monterey County
- Former Chess Motors, 110 State Street, Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara County

Administrative Civil Liability

- South San Luis Obispo County Sanitation District, San Luis Obispo County. At public hearing on October 3, 2012, the Board adopted a penalty of \$1,109,812.80.
- California Mens' Colony, Order No. R3-2012-0042, San Luis Obispo County. On November 9, 2012, the Executive Officer adopted a stipulated order to impose mandatory penalties for effluent violations. The total amount of the penalty is \$105,000; \$45,000 to the Cleanup and Abatement Account and \$60,000 to CCAMP-GAP as a supplement environmental project.
- City of San Juan Bautista, Order No. R3-2012-0040, San Benito County. On November 28, 2012, the Executive Officer adopted a stipulated order to impose mandatory penalties for effluent violations. The total amount of the penalty is \$114,000; \$49,500 to the Cleanup and Abatement Account and \$64,500 to a supplement environmental project to improve the city's reclaimed water distribution system.
- Midnight Sun, Inc. II, Castroville, Monterey County. On November 28, 2012, the Executive Officer adopted an order approving a settlement agreement in cooperation with the Monterey County District Attorney against Midnight Sun, Inc. II, the owner of an agricultural investment property. The total amount of the settlement was \$350,435. The Water Board received \$85,000, with other amounts going to the Department of Fish and Game and the County. Midnight Sun had graded a stream running on the property, discharging soil into the stream in violation of the federal Clean Water Act and the California Water Code.

RECOMMENDATION

This report is for Board information; the Board may provide direction to staff.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Violation List
2. List of Abbreviations