ITEM 6

SUBJECT: City of Calistoga, Dunaweal Wastewater Treatment Plant, Calistoga, Napa County - Reissuance of NPDES Permit

CHRONOLOGY: November 2000 – Permit reissued
August 2006 – Proposed Tentative Order heard, but not adopted

DISCUSSION: The City owns and operates the Dunaweal Wastewater Treatment Plant, which provides treatment for domestic, commercial, and some industrial wastewater from Calistoga. Secondary and tertiary treated effluent is discharged to the Napa River from November 1 through June 15. During the remainder of the year, the wastewater is treated to tertiary standards and distributed for recycled water use or stored for future use or disposal.

The Board considered reissuance of the City’s permit at its August 2006 meeting, but voted not to adopt the revised tentative order recommended for adoption by Board staff. Board staff incorporated the supplemental changes presented to the Board at the August meeting into a further revised tentative order that was circulated for public comment on August 18, 2006.

We received comments on the newly circulated tentative order from the City and the Living Rivers Council (Appendix D). These letters raise several issues, and we responded to these comments (Appendix E) and discussed our responses and the revisions made in response to the comments with the City and the Council. We believe we have resolved their concerns to the extent we legally can.

The Revised Tentative Order (Appendix A) is very similar to one the Board considered in August. Prior to the August hearing, we received comments from the City, U.S. EPA, and San Francisco Baykeeper concerning the original Tentative Order (Appendix B). We responded to those comments at that time (Appendix C), and the Revised Tentative Order is consistent with our responses to those previous comments.
RECOMMENDATION: Adoption of the Revised Tentative Order

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APPENDICES:
A. Revised Tentative Order
B. Comments Received in July 2006
C. August 2006 Response to Comments
D. Comments Received in September 2006
E. October 2006 Response to Comments