

San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board

**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT AND PUBLIC HEARING FOR
PROPOSED WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
FOR THE SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO BAY SHORELINE PROTECTION PROJECT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) will accept written comments on the Tentative Order for Water Quality Certification and Waste Discharge Requirements for the South San Francisco Bay Shoreline Protection Project (Project) in the City of San Jose, Santa Clara County.

The Project's overall purpose is to safeguard homes, schools, and businesses along Santa Clara County's shoreline, including Alviso and the San Jose/Santa Clara Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant, from the risk of tidal flooding by constructing a levee and restoring and enhancing tidal marsh and related habitat that was lost due to former salt production activities. The Project's overall purpose will be achieved through implementation of a flood risk management (FRM) levee and ecosystem restoration. The Tentative Order would authorize Project construction to be phased over the next 14 years, subject to the requirements therein.

The Tentative Order is available for review at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/board_decisions/tentative_orders.shtml

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS. Persons interested in the Tentative Order are encouraged to submit comments electronically. Comment letters must be received by **5:00 pm on November 15, 2017**. Comment letters received after that deadline will not be accepted unless the Regional Water Board determines otherwise. Submit comments to Tahsa Sturgis, by email to Tahsa.Sturgis@waterboards.ca.gov (must be a maximum of 15 megabytes); or mail or hand deliver to:

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1515 Clay Street, Suite 1400
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Please indicate in the subject line: "**Comment Letter – South Bay Shoreline Project Order Comments.**"

PUBLIC HEARING

The Board will consider adopting the Tentative Order during a meeting to commence at **9:00 am on December 13, 2017**, in the Auditorium on the first floor at 1515 Clay Street, Oakland, CA 94612. Interested persons are invited to express their views at this hearing.

Pursuant to California Code of Regulations Title 23 section 2050(c), any party who challenges the Board's action through a petition to the State Water Resources Control Board under Water Code section 13320 will be limited to raising only those substantive issues that were raised before the Board at the hearing or in timely submitted correspondence.

Please direct questions about this notice to Tahsa Sturgis at (510) 622-2316 or Tahsa.Sturgis@waterboards.ca.gov.

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