## NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT AND PUBLIC HEARING FOR DISCHARGE PERMIT

## Discharge of Residual Firework Pollutants from Public Fireworks Displays Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Solano, and Sonoma counties

Board staff has prepared a draft National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System general permit for public fireworks displays in accordance with the Clean Water Act and Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act.

The draft general permit would authorize discharges of residual firework pollutants associated with public fireworks displays to San Francisco Bay and other inland surface waters in the San Francisco Bay Region. The draft general permit would require implementation of best management practices to control pollutant discharges.

The deadline for receipt of comment on the draft general permit is 5:00 p.m. on May 1, 2020. Comments must be sent to the attention of Marcos De la Cruz. Persons wishing to file written comments on any aspect of this matter must do so no later than this deadline so that such comments may be considered.

The Board will consider adopting the draft general permit during a meeting to commence at **9:00 a.m. on June 10, 2020**, in the Auditorium at 1515 Clay Street in Oakland. 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.

All documents related to the draft general permit may be inspected at the Board office. The draft general permit and developments on this matter are available at www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay. Board staff responses to comments will be posted on that website a week prior to the hearing. Contact Marcos De la Cruz at (510) 622-2365 or marcos.delacruz@waterboards.ca.gov if you have questions.