

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

NOTICE OF PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND STIPULATED ORDER
in the matter of

**MARTINEZ REFINING COMPANY LLC
MARCH 2020 EFFLUENT LIMITATION VIOLATIONS
MARTINEZ, CONTRA COSTA COUNTY**

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region (Water Board) Prosecution Team and Martinez Refining Company LLC (Discharger) have entered into a proposed Settlement Agreement and Stipulated Order (proposed settlement order). The proposed settlement order imposes an administrative civil liability against the Discharger in the amount of \$120,000, for alleged discharges in violation of NPDES permit effluent limitations to waters of the United States.

The proposed liability is based on allegations that the Discharger violated NPDES permit effluent limitations in March 2020.

The proposed settlement order would allow \$60,000 to be suspended pending completion of a supplemental environmental project to fund the San Francisco Bay Regional Monitoring Program, specifically for use toward Temporal Variability in Sediment Delivery to a San Francisco Bay Salt March. Funding this project will enable the investigation of the influence of tides, waves, and water levels on sediment delivery and deposition on a tidal marsh surface in San Francisco Bay.

The proposed settlement order is available at https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/public_notices/pending_enforcement.html#ACL. Persons may comment on the proposed settlement order by submitting written comments no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 26, 2021.

For additional information and updates, please contact prosecution staff Habte Kifle at (510) 622-2371 or Habte.Kifle@waterboards.ca.gov or check the Water Board website link cited above for documents and future developments associated with this matter.

Dated: March 26, 2021