

San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON GENERAL AMENDMENT TO WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR LONG-TERM FLOOD PROTECTION REQUIREMENTS AT OCEANFRONT AND BAYFRONT MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE LANDFILLS AND INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board (Water Board) will accept written comments on the Tentative Order (Order) for Amending Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) for Oceanfront and Bayfront Landfills and Industrial Facilities. The Order would apply to 15 Bayfront landfills and 6 industrial facilities that have already been required to submit at least one Long-Term Flood Protection Report or Plan. The Order would also apply to 4 oceanfront and Bayfront landfills and 2 industrial facilities that have not been required to submit Long-Term Flood Protection Reports or Plans in the past.

The Order would amend the 27 individual WDRs to make those with existing long-term flood protection planning and reporting requirements consistent among these facilities; and would add long-term flood protection planning and reporting requirements for those landfills and industrial facilities that have not previously been required to do so. This Order's requirements are consistent with the requirements set forth in Order No. R2-2022-0031, which amended the WDRs for 16 other Bayfront landfills that did not previously have long-term flood protection planning and reporting requirements. Long-Term Flood Protection Plans would be required to be updated every five years to consider the best available science at the time.

The Tentative Order is available for review at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/board_decisions/tentative_orders.html

NOTICE IS ADDITIONALLY HEREBY GIVEN that the Water Board will hold a public hearing to consider adoption of the proposed Tentative Order as follows:

DATE: February 14, 2024
TIME: 9:00 a.m. (approximate)
LOCATION: Elihu M. Harris Building Auditorium
1515 Clay Street
Oakland, CA 96412

Remote participation will be allowed. Information about participating telephonically or via the remote meeting platform is available at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/board_info/remote_meeting/index.html

If you wish only to watch the meeting, the webcast remains available at: <https://cal-span.org/>

Additional information about the public hearing will also be available on the following Board webpage ten days before the hearing:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/board_info/agenda.html

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS. The Water Board will accept written comments on the Tentative Order. To be considered, **comment letters must be received by 5:00 pm on January 8, 2024.** Electronic submission is preferred, but not required. Submit written comments by the deadline to Alyx Karpowicz by email to Alyx.Karpowicz@waterboards.ca.gov, or mail or hand delivery to:

San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board
Attn: Alyx Karpowicz
1515 Clay Street, Suite 1400
Oakland, CA 94612

Please use the subject line: “**Comment Letter – Flood Protection WDR Amendment.**”
No written comments will be accepted or responded to in writing after that date.

Please direct questions about this notice to Alyx Karpowicz at (510) 622-2427 or Alyx.Karpowicz@waterboards.ca.gov.

Date: December 7, 2023