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DISCUSSION:

This Revised Tentative Order (Appendix A) would reissue the *General Waste Discharge Requirements for Residual Firework Pollutants from Public Fireworks Displays* (Fireworks General Permit), which regulates pollutant discharges of residual fireworks to waters of the United States associated with public fireworks displays for community celebrations, such as Fourth of July, New Year’s Eve, and sporting, business, and school events. Fireworks discharges include chemical pollutants and debris from both ignited and un-ignited pyrotechnic devices. The Revised Tentative Order would continue to allow these discharges, with additional reporting requirements, in the San Francisco Bay Region.

We received comments (Appendix B) on a tentative order distributed for public comment. In response to those comments (Appendix C), we revised reporting requirements in Attachment C (Fireworks Display Report Form) and corrected historical discharge data in the Fact Sheet. We expect the Revised Tentative Order to be uncontested.

APPENDIX:

- A. Revised Tentative Order
- B. Comments
- C. Response to Comments

Appendix A
Revised Tentative Order

Appendix B

Comments

For an electronic copy of the comments, please contact Marcos De la Cruz via email at marcos.delacruz@waterboards.ca.gov or at (510) 622-2365.

Appendix C

Response to Comments