

California Regional Water Quality Control Board  
San Francisco Bay Region  
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**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT AND PUBLIC HEARING  
FOR DISCHARGE PERMIT**

**C&H Sugar Company, Inc., and Crockett Community Services District  
Joint Use C&H Sugar Company-Crockett Community Services District  
Philip F. Meads Water Treatment Plant  
830 Loring Avenue, Crockett, Contra Costa County**

Board staff has prepared a draft National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for the above discharger in accordance with the Clean Water Act and Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act.

C&H Sugar Company, Inc. owns and operates the C&H Sugar Company Refinery (Sugar Refinery). C&H Sugar Company, Inc. and the District have a Joint Use Agreement that allows the District to discharge domestic waste to the Philip F. Meads Water Treatment Plant (Joint Treatment Plant), which is operated and majority-owned by C&H Sugar Company, Inc. and partially owned by the District. The Sugar Refinery takes water from Carquinez Strait for cooling and the Joint Treatment Plant treats sugar refining wastewater and pretreated domestic and commercial wastewater from the community of Crockett. The draft permit would continue to regulate the discharge of cooling water, treated wastewater, and stormwater to Carquinez Strait.

The deadline for receipt of comment on the draft permit is **5:00 p.m. on July 10, 2026**. Comments must be sent to the **attention of Debbie Phan**. 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 permit during a meeting to commence at 9:00 a.m. on **August 12, 2026**. 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 permit may be inspected at the Board office. The draft permit and developments on this matter are available at [waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/board\\_decisions/tentative\\_orders.html](http://waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/board_decisions/tentative_orders.html).

Comments received, Board staff responses to comments, and other developments on this matter will be posted on the Board meeting agenda a week prior to the hearing and will be available at [waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/board\\_info/agenda.html](http://waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/board_info/agenda.html).

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