



## San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP & CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT SCOPING MEETING

San Mateo County Bay Beaches Bacteria Total Maximum Daily Load
Basin Plan Amendment
Tuesday, August 1, 2023
6 PM – 8 PM

City Council Chambers – Foster City 620 Foster City Boulevard Foster City, CA

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board (Water Board) staff will hold a public workshop and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) scoping meeting to seek public input regarding the scope, content, and potential impacts of the San Mateo County Bay Beaches Bacteria Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Basin Plan amendment at the time and location provided above. The beaches included in this TMDL are Coyote Point (Coyote), Erckenbrack Park (Erckenbrack), Gull Park (Gull), Kiteboard, Marlin Park (Marlin), and Oyster Point (Oyster).

## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Erckenbrack Beach, Gull Beach, Kiteboard Beach, Marlin Beach in Foster City; Coyote Beach in San Mateo; and Oyster Beach in South San Francisco are defined as "impaired water bodies" due to fecal indicator bacteria concentrations that exceed water quality standards thereby indicating an increased risk of bacteria-induced illness to humans. The listing of these water bodies as impaired under the Clean Water Act Section 303(d) is based on exceedances of bacterial water quality objectives for water contact recreation beneficial uses.

The TMDL will be comprised of a pollution control plan designed to protect recreational uses in these water bodies. It will call for actions to minimize bacteria discharges from sanitary sewer systems, stormwater runoff, and other potential sources of bacteria. Additional information on the San Mateo County Bay Beaches Bacteria TMDL project can be found at <a href="here">here</a>.

## **MEETING FORMAT**

The meeting will consist of a public workshop where Water Board staff will provide a description of the TMDL, followed by a question and answer session. Immediately following the workshop,

Water Board staff will open a public scoping meeting, pursuant to CEQA (Public Resources Code §21000 et seq.), on the TMDL project. The Water Board is required to evaluate the potential environmental impacts of the TMDL and will incorporate this environmental analysis into the TMDL staff report and Basin Plan amendment. During the scoping session, staff will discuss and take comments from the public on the scope and content of the project and its potential environmental impacts. Scoping helps the Water Board identify the range of actions, alternatives, mitigation measures, and potentially significant environmental effects to be analyzed in the environmental analysis.

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