

Municipal Regional Stormwater Permit

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Water Quality Control Board
San Francisco Bay Region
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Stormwater Permit Status

- 2001 Permit (as amended in 2005) is still effective
- Issuance of Municipal Regional Permit (MRP) in progress
- MRP covers 4 Counties, 3 Cities
 - 77 Permittees
 - Alameda, Contra Costa, San Mateo, and Santa Clara
 - Fairfield, Suisun City, Vallejo, and respective sanitary districts

Goals of the MRP

- **Stormwater Management Plan Specifics in Permit**
- **Consistency and Accountability - Collaboration**
- **Maintain strong implementation levels of current permits, while incorporating current MEP actions**

Performance Standards

- **Required Actions or Management Measures**
- **Implementation Level – May be tied to Permittee size or type**
- **Reporting necessary to determine compliance and evaluate program effectiveness**

MRP Components

- **Municipal Maintenance**
- **Industrial/Construction Inspections**
 - **Illicit Discharge Abatement**
- **Public Outreach**
- **New and Re-Development**
- **Monitoring**
- **Trash Control**
- **Pollutants of Concern - TMDLs**
- **Reporting Template**

C.3. New and Redevelopment

What's New?

- For select land uses, threshold lowered from 10,000 ft² to 5,000 ft²
 - Auto service, gasoline outlets, restaurants, parking lots
- Regulation of arterial roads rehabilitated in same footprint
- Regulation of bike lanes and sidewalks installed as part of road projects

- **Regulation of impervious trails > 10 feet wide or creekside**
- **Low Impact Development (LID) requirements**
- **Site design requirements for large single-family homes**
- **Specific operation and maintenance inspection requirements**
- **Pilot study – Collection of impervious surface data for small projects**

MRP Recent Public Process

- **Tentative Order - December 2007**
- **Comments due February 29, 2008**
- **Board Hearing - March 11, 2008**
 - **120 speakers**

Major C.3 Comments

- Trails, bike lanes, sidewalks
- Road Rehabilitation
- 5000 ft² Threshold
- “Grandfathering” of Projects
- Low Impact Development
- Alternative Compliance
- Impervious Surface Data
- Reporting

MRP Next Steps

- **Catalog and review comments**
- **Meet with major stakeholder groups on key issues (June 2008)**
- **Hold workshop for interested parties (July 2008?)**
- **Adoption of MRP (Fall 2008)**

The background of the slide is a photograph of a vast blue body of water under a bright sky. A prominent white reflection of the sun stretches across the water's surface from the left side towards the center. The sky is a deep blue with some light, wispy clouds. The overall mood is serene and open.

Questions?