

**California Regional Water Quality Control Board  
San Diego Region**

**Response to Comments Report**

**Tentative Order No. R9 2017-0023  
Amending**

**Order No. R9-2013-0006, as Amended by  
Order No. R9-2014-0071, NPDES No. CA0109045  
*Waste Discharge Requirements  
for the City Of San Diego  
South Bay Water Reclamation Plant Discharge to the Pacific  
Ocean via the South Bay Ocean Outfall***

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## Introduction

The San Diego Water Board has prepared this Response to Comments Report on *Tentative Order No. R9-2017-0023 Amending Order No. R9-2013-0006, as Amended by Order No. R9-2014-0071, NPDES No. CA0109045, Waste Discharge Requirements for the City of San Diego South Bay Water Reclamation Plant Discharge to the Pacific Ocean via the South Bay Ocean Outfall* (Tentative Order). The Tentative Order was made available for public review and comment on October 6, 2017 for 31 days, with the comment period ending on November 6, 2017.

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## Comments and Responses

The written comments and staff responses are set forth in the table that follows. The table includes the San Diego Water Board responses to comments, and any actions taken to revise the Tentative Order in response to the comments.

No.	Comment	Response	Action Taken
<b>Peter S. Vroom, City of San Diego, written comments dated November 6, 2017</b>			
1	The City of San Diego supports the Tentative Order and the alignment of the receiving water monitoring programs for the South Bay Ocean Outfall and Point Loma Ocean Outfall.	Comment noted.	None necessary
2	The City of San Diego requests the fish tissue monitoring requirements for total lipids be reported in percent weight, rather than micrograms per kilogram ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{kg}$ ), to be consistent with its current analytical reporting methods.	<p>The San Diego Water Board has modified the Tentative Order as requested, to be consistent with the City of San Diego's current analytical reporting methods.</p> <p>The San Diego Water Board has also modified Tentative Order No. R9-2017-0024<sup>1</sup> to maintain consistency in the reporting of sampling results under the joint receiving water monitoring program for the South Bay Ocean Outfall.</p>	<p><u>Tentative Order No. R9-2017-0023</u>:  Modified Attachment E, section VIII.D.1.c, Table E-9</p> <p><u>Tentative Order No. R9-2017-0024<sup>1</sup></u>:  Modified Attachment E, section IV.D.1.c, Table E-9</p>

<sup>1</sup> December 13, 2017 San Diego Board Meeting, Item No.9, Tentative Order No. R9-2017-0024, amending Order No. R9-2014-0009, as amended by Order No. R9-2014-0094, NPDES No. CA0108928, *Waste Discharge Requirements for the United States Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission, South Bay International Wastewater Treatment Plant, Discharge to the Pacific Ocean via the South Bay Ocean Outfall.*