

San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board

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Subject: Staff Enforcement Letter for South Orange County Wastewater Authority (SOCWA), San Juan Creek Ocean Outfall, Order No. R9-2012-0012, NPDES No. CA0107417

Mr. Flahive:

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board) has reviewed the following self-monitoring reports (SMRs) for the facilities associated with the San Juan Creek Ocean Outfall:

- Monthly SMRs – February 2016 through May 2016
- Quarterly SMRs – January 2016 through March 2016

The following is a summary of the San Diego Water Board's findings:

- **Violation – Proper Operation and Maintenance, Attachment D, Section I.D**

On March 12, 2016, there was a line break at the SOCWA 3A Reclamation Plant resulting in a spill of approximately 500 gallons of secondary effluent. It is noted that the spill was contained and did not leave the facility's boundary.

Pursuant to the California Water Code (CWC), the violations noted are subject to additional enforcement action(s) by the San Diego Water Board including a time schedule order, cease and desist order, cleanup and abatement order, imposition of administrative civil liability, referral to the district attorney for criminal prosecution, or referral to the attorney general. Administrative civil liability amounts that may be imposed by the San Diego Water Board under authority of CWC section 13385 include up to \$10,000 per day or up to \$10 per gallon for each gallon of waste discharged.

In the subject line of any response, please include the following: 257592:Dquach. For questions or concerns regarding this letter, please contact me at 619-521-5899 or Dquach@waterboards.ca.gov.

Respectfully,



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