

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

STAFF SUMMARY REPORT (Rico Duazo and
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MEETING DATE: April 20, 2005

ITEM: 8

SUBJECT: **2003-2004 Industrial Stormwater Program Review**

DISCUSSION: This report summarizes the status of and future actions for the San Francisco Bay Region's Industrial Stormwater program.

The Industrial Stormwater Program is implemented through a statewide general permit (Permit). Owners and/or operators of facilities with industrial activity, such as auto dismantlers, concrete plants, winemaking facilities, and vehicle washing stations, are required to be covered under the Permit, when some portion of their industrial activity is exposed to stormwater and could discharge polluted runoff to storm drains and/or creeks and the Bay. There are approximately 1,400 covered facilities in our Region.

Under the Permit, permittees must implement appropriate best management practices (BMPs) to minimize the exposure of polluting materials to stormwater and the chance that pollutants will be discharged to the storm drain. Typical and easy-to-perform BMPs include regular housekeeping activities and putting polluting activities under cover. Permittees also complete regular visual inspections and periodic sampling of runoff, and annually submit by July 1 of each year a report that describes their compliance with the Permit.

Staff has compiled the results of the last three annual reports in a database, and is using this information to develop prioritized inspection lists of facilities for the coming year. We will then incorporate staff inspections of high-priority facilities into our ongoing work with municipal stormwater inspectors—who inspect these facilities under their municipal stormwater permits—and the contractor Tetra-Tech, which completes inspections for us using US EPA funding. Inspections of problem facilities will be followed up with letters and enforcement, as appropriate.

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Appendix: A – Information Item

APPENDIX A
Industrial Stormwater Program Review