

California Regional Water Quality Control Board
San Francisco Bay Region
1515 Clay Street, Suite 1400, Oakland, CA 94612

**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT AND PUBLIC HEARING
FOR DISCHARGE PERMIT**

**Groundwater Treatment Facilities
Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Francisco,
San Mateo, Santa Clara, Solano, and Sonoma Counties**

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region (Board), has prepared a draft National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System general permit for groundwater treatment facilities in the region in accordance with the Clean Water Act and Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act. The draft permit proposes to reissue and combine the VOC (Volatile Organic Compound) and Fuel General Permit (R2-2017-0048, as amended by R2-2018-0050) and Groundwater General Permit (Order R2-2018-0026), regulating discharges associated with the extraction and treatment of groundwater impacted by inorganic chemicals, VOCs, per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), fuel-leak compounds, and other synthetic organic compounds in the San Francisco Bay Region.

The deadline for receipt of comment on the draft order is **5:00 p.m. on February 17, 2025**. Comments must be sent to the **attention of Marcos De la Cruz** at the address below or via email to **marcos.delacruz@waterboards.ca.gov**. Persons wishing to file written comments on any aspect of this matter must do so no later than this deadline so that such comments may be considered.

The Board will hold a hearing to consider adopting the draft order during a meeting to commence at 9:00 a.m. on **April 9, 2025**, in the auditorium at 1515 Clay Street, Oakland. Interested persons are invited to express their views at this hearing.

Pursuant to California Code of Regulations Title 23 section 2050(c), any party who challenges the Board's action through a petition to the State Water Resources Control Board under Water Code section 13320 will be limited to raising only those substantive issues that were raised before the Board at the hearing or in timely submitted correspondence.

All documents related to the draft permit may be inspected at the Board office. The draft permit and developments on this matter are available at waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/board_decisions/tentative_orders.html.

Comments received, Board staff responses to comments, and other developments on this matter will be posted on the Board meeting agenda a week prior to the hearing and will be available at waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/board_info/agenda.html.

Contact **Marcos De la Cruz** at (510) 622-2365 or **marcos.delacruz@waterboards.ca.gov** if you have questions.