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STORMWATER (NPDES) COMMITTEE AGENDA **2:30 PM, Thursday March 19, 2026**

San Mateo County Transit District Office
1250 San Carlos Ave, 2nd Fl. Auditorium,
San Carlos, CA

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| 1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and brief overview of teleconference meeting procedures. | Ovadia/
Bogert | No
materials |
| 2. Public comment on items not on the Agenda (presentations limited to three minutes). | Ovadia | No
materials |
| 3. ACTION – Review and approve the February 19, 2026 Stormwater Committee meeting minutes. | Ovadia | Pages 1-5 |
| 4. ACTION – Review and approve a recommendation for C/CAG’s Duly | Bogert | Pages 6-7 |

Authorized Representative to certify and submit the SMCWPPP Water Year 2020-2025 Integrated Monitoring Report to the Regional Water Board, pending any final revisions.

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| 5. | ACTION – Review and approve a recommendation for C/CAG’s Duly Authorized Representative to certify and submit the SMCWPPP Updated PCBs and Mercury TMDL Implementation Plan and Reasonable Assurance report to the Regional Water Board. | Bogert | Pages 8-9 |
| 6. | ACTION – Review and approve a recommendation for the Bay Area Municipal Stormwater Collaborative to submit comments on proposed MRP 4 low priority provisions to the Regional Water Board. | Bogert | Pages 10-11 |
| 7. | INFORMATION – Receive information on the Municipal Regional Stormwater Permit reissuance process and establishment of high priority provision workgroups. | Bogert | Pages 12-21 |
| 8. | INFORMATION – Receive a presentation on the San Bruno Creek OneWatershed Pilot Study. | Sternkopf | Pages 22-24 |
| 9. | INFORMATION – Receive stormwater program related information and announcements. | Sternkopf | Pages 25-28 |
| 10. | Regional Board Report | Regional Water Board Staff | No materials |
| 11. | Executive Director’s Report | Charpentier | No materials |
| 12. | Member Reports | All | No materials |
| 13. | Adjourn | Chair | No materials |

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If you have any questions about this agenda, please contact C/CAG staff:

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Stormwater Committee Staff: Reid Bogert rbogert@smcgov.org

C/CAG AGENDA REPORT

Date: March 19, 2026
To: Stormwater Committee
From: Reid Bogert, Stormwater Program Director
Subject: Review and approve the February 19, 2026 Stormwater Committee meeting minutes.

(For further information or questions contact Reid Bogert at rbogert@smcgov.org)

RECOMMENDATION

That the Stormwater Committee (Committee) review and approve the February 19, 2026 Stormwater Committee meeting minutes.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

N/A.

EQUITY IMPACTS AND CONSIDERATIONS

This item is necessary for the administration and operations of C/CAG.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Draft February 19, 2026 Stormwater Committee meeting minutes.

Stormwater Committee

Thursday February 12, 2026

2:30 p.m.

The Stormwater Committee meeting was held in a hybrid format (i.e., in person and videoconference) pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e). Committee members met in-person at the offices of the San Mateo County Transit District in the City of San Carlos. Municipal staff (not part of a legislative body of C/CAG) and members of the public could participate remotely via the Zoom platform or in-person at the location above. Attendance at the meeting is shown in the attached table. In addition to the Committee members, also in attendance were Reid Bogert (C/CAG staff), Dan Sternkopf (C/CAG Staff), Sean Charpentier (C/CAG Executive Director), Sultan Henson (County of San Mateo), Ashraf Ali (Regional Water Board), Sarah Deicke (County of San Mateo), Rob Dusenbury (Lotus Water), Mel Johnson (Regional Water Board), Sam Fielding (City of Daly City), Kristin Kerr (EOA Inc.), and Bonnie de Berry (EOA Inc.) Chair Ovadia called the meeting to order at 2:46 p.m.

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and a brief overview of meeting procedures. – The agenda was modified to swap the presenting order of item 6 and item 7.
2. Public comment on items not on the agenda – No comments were received from the public.
3. ACTION – The Committee approved of the 2026 Calendar of Meetings. Motion: Member Fabry (City of San Mateo); Second: Vice Chair Willis (Town of Hillsborough). Vote: Motion passed unanimously (14:0:0).
4. ACTION – The Committee approved the draft November 20, 2025, Stormwater Committee Meeting minutes. Motion: Member Machida (City of San Carlos); Second: Member Fabry (City of San Mateo). Vote: Motion passed (12:0:2). Member Donahue (Town of Colma) and Alternate Khan (City of East Palo Alto) abstained.
5. ACTION – The Committee approved a recommendation to the BAMSC Steering Committee authorizing the submittal of the Final Draft Fiscal Year 2025-26 Annual Report Forms to the Regional Water Board. Motion: Member Donahue (Town of Colma); Second: Member Fabry (City of San Mateo). Vote: Motion passed unanimously (14:0:0).
6. PRESENTATION – The Committee received a presentation from Kristin Kerr with EOA Inc. on the implementation of the MRP 3 requirements related to emergency firefighting discharges. Kerr provided the historic regulatory context regarding firefighting discharges before covering new requirements highlighted in MRP 3. In Fiscal Year 2022-23, the Bay Area Municipal Stormwater Collaborative (BAMSC) formed a regional firefighting discharges work group with representatives from US EPA Region 9, Regional Water Board, stormwater programs and permittees, fire departments and other invited organizations. The workgroup successfully developed a regional report that was submitted with the Annual Reports on September 30, 2025. Kerr highlighted the report's recommendations and future permittee actions. Committee members suggested the

countywide program coordinate with the Stormwater Committee members to gather information on applicable fire department contacts and to work with the San Mateo County Fire Fighting Chiefs Association to develop and deliver a survey that could be filled out annually by fire department staff in support of Annual Report requirements so that the department staff do not get overburdened with information requests coming from multiple agencies for the same purpose. C/CAG staff will plan to develop the survey and work with Committee members to gather necessary agency information and points of contact.

7. INFORMATION – The Committee received a presentation from Rob Dusenbury with Lotus Water on the operations and monitoring for the Orange Memorial Park Regional Stormwater Capture Project in South San Francisco. Dusenbury began by providing an overview of the project concept and then discussed each of the project elements (Instream Diversion, Trash/Grit Chamber, Flow Splitter, Cistern & Infiltration Gallery, Water Quality Treatment Shed) and how those elements are maintained. Dusenbury then discussed lessons learned from the maintenance of the project elements thus far. Dusenbury also provided the total cost of the project’s maintenance per year. Lastly, Dusenbury provided an overview of the monitoring requirements for the project. Committee members inquired about the relevance of Orange Memorial Park with respect to permit compliance under Provision C.3.j for green infrastructure retrofit targets. C/CAG staff indicated this is an ongoing discussion with Regional Water Board staff, but that there is a process underway for permittees that aren’t able to achieve their population based targets or minimum acreage requirement to make a financial contribution to the operations and maintenance needs for the Orange Memorial Park regional stormwater project and more information will be provided to the Committee in spring.
8. INFORMATION – The Committee received a presentation from Kristin Kerr with EOA Inc. on the MRP 3 requirements related to MS4 map updates. Kerr provided an overview of the previous mapping requirements before describing the current requirements to identify information missing from the current MS4 maps and develop a plan and schedule to compile additional storm sewer system information due September 30, 2026. Kerr discussed what the plan and schedule must consider. Kerr then provided an overview of the SMCWPPP assistance provided so far, as well as the MS4 Mapping Plan and Schedule Annotated Outline.
9. INFORMATION – The Committee received stormwater program related information and announcements. Bogert discussed how the Regional Water Board (RWB) staff have completed initial review of the FY24-25 Annual Reports and will be following up with comments to permittees. He then provided an overview of the MRP 4 reissuance process, with Countywide Programs/Permittees meeting with Regional Water Board (RWB) staff on February 11 to discuss low priority provisions, where the workgroup identified C.6 as a potential area for additional discussion. Future workgroup meetings focused on specific medium and high priority provisions will be scheduled with support from RWB staff, and permittees with an interest in these provisions (e.g., C.3, C.8, C.10, C.11/12) are welcome to participate. Lastly, Bogert highlighted funding opportunities and shared that C/CAG was awarded \$501,462 in grant funds from Caltrans to implement litter abatement and community engagement in up to 11 San Mateo County jurisdictions.
10. Regional Water Board Report – Ashraf Ali of the Regional Water Board (RWB) shared that the RWB has hired a new staff member, Dr. Mel Johnson.
11. Executive Director’s Report – N/A

12. Member Reports – N/A

Meeting Adjourned at 4:03 p.m.

February 19, 2026 Stormwater Committee Attendance

Attendance				
Agency	Representative (Primary or Alternate)	In-Person	Remote Voting (AB 2449)	Remote Non-voting
Atherton	Robert Ovadia (Vice Chair) - Public Works Director	X		
Belmont	Edric Kwan PWD/Brian Nguyen - Assistant Civil Engineer (Alternate)			X
Brisbane	Maziar Bozorginia - Director of Public Works			
Burlingame	Noah Craney - Environmental Regularoty Compliance Manager (Alternate)	X		
Colma	Brad Donahue - Public Works Director	X		
Daly City	Richard Chiu - Director of Public Works	X		
East Palo Alto	Fatima Khan - Environemntal Services Aid (Alternate)	X		
Foster City	Andrew Brozyna - Director of Public Works			
Half Moon Bay	Todd Seely - Interim Public Works Director			
Hillsborough	Paul Willis - Public Works Director	X		
Menlo Park	Azalea Mitch - Director of Public Works			
Millbrae	Ahmad Haya - City Engineer (Alternate)	X		
OneShoreline	Summer Bundy - Projects Director	X		
Pacifica	Roland Yip - City Engineer	X		
Portola Valley	Vacant			
Redwood City	Paige Saber - Senior Civil Engineer (Alternate)	X		
San Bruno	Matt Lee - Public Works Director			
San Carlos	Steven Machida - Director of Public Works	X		
San Mateo	Matt Fabry - Public Works Director	X		
South San Francisco	Eunejune Kim - Director of Public Works			
Woodside	Louis Sun - Director of Public Works	X		
San Mateo County	Ann Stillman - Public Works Director	X		
Regional Water Quality Control Board	Watershed Supervisor			
X - primary or designated alternate represenative		14	0	1
O - "other" agency representative/non-voting (see meeting minutes for "other" attendees)		Quorum	14	

C/CAG AGENDA REPORT

Date: March 19, 2026

To: Stormwater Committee

From: Reid Bogert, Stormwater Program Director

Subject: Review and approve a recommendation for C/CAG's Duly Authorized Representative to certify and submit the SMCWPPP Water Year 2020-2025 Integrated Monitoring Report to the Regional Water Board, pending any final revisions.

(For further information or questions contact Reid Bogert at rbogert@smcgov.org)

RECOMMENDATION

That the Stormwater Committee (Committee) review and approve a recommendation for C/CAG's Duly Authorized Representative to certify and submit the SMCWPPP Water Year 2020-2025 Integrated Monitoring Report to the Regional Water Board, pending any final revisions.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

Provision C.8.h of the current Municipal Regional Stormwater Permit (MRP 3.0) requires that by no later than March 31, 2026, permittees must submit an Integrated Monitoring Report (IMR) in lieu of the annual Urban Creeks Monitoring Report that is typically submitted in March. As in past permit cycles, the IMR will be part of the next Report of Waste Discharge for the reissuance of the MRP. The IMR must report on all the data collected since the previous IMR and covers the period between Water Year 2020-2025. The IMR must contain the standard reporting included in the Urban Creeks Monitoring Report requirements for the preceding Water Year (Water Year 2024) and a comprehensive analysis of all data collected pursuant to Provision C.8 since the previous Integrated Monitoring Report, including specific information related to each monitoring subprovision (i.e., Low Impact Development Monitoring, Trash Monitoring, Pollutants of Concern Monitoring). The IMR must also include a budget summary for each monitoring requirement (for each year of the permit term) and recommendations for changes to any of the elements of Provision C.8 in future permit terms.

The San Mateo Countywide Water Pollution Prevention Program (SMCWPPP) has developed the Draft SMCWPPP Water Year 2020-2025 IMR and distributed it for review and comment by the SMCWPPP Watershed Assessment and Monitoring (WAM) Subcommittee on February 13. The contents of the IMR were also presented to the WAM on February 25. Comments on the Draft IMR were due February 27. The Draft SMCWPPP Water Year 2020-2025 IMR includes the following components:

- Executive Summary
- Part A: LID Monitoring Status Report
- Part B1: Regional Trash Outfall Monitoring Status Report
- Part B2: Regional Trash Receiving Water Monitoring Status Report
- Part C: Pesticides and Toxicity Monitoring
- Part D: Pollutants of Concern (POC) Monitoring (including Regional Receiving Water Limitations Assessment Report)
- Part E: Budget Summary

All parts of the Draft SMCWPPP Water Year 2020-25 IMR were developed entirely by SMCWPPP, with the exception of Parts B1, B2 and the Receiving Water Limitations Assessment Report portion of Part D, which were developed at the regional scale via the Bay Area Municipal Stormwater Collaboration (BAMSC) and the participating countywide stormwater programs. Accordingly, the plan to finalize and submit the Final SMCWPPP Water Year 2020-25 IMR is as follows:

- Final Draft IMR to be circulated to the Stormwater Committee by March 12
- Proposed approval of a recommendation for C/CAG's Duly Authorized Representative to certify and submit the IMR to the Regional Water Board by March 31
- Approval of the regional report sections of the IMR at the March 26 BAMSC Steering Committee
- C/CAG's Duly Authorized Representative certifies and submits the Final SMCWPPP Water Year 2020-25 IMR by March 31 on behalf of the San Mateo County permittees

Staff recommend the Committee review and approve a recommendation for C/CAG's Duly Authorized Representative to certify and submit the Final SMCWPPP Water Year 2020-25 IMR to the Regional Water Board, pending any final revisions.

EQUITY IMPACTS AND CONSIDERATIONS

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ATTACHMENTS

None.

C/CAG AGENDA REPORT

Date: March 19, 2026

To: Stormwater Committee

From: Reid Bogert, Stormwater Program Director

Subject: Review and approve a recommendation for C/CAG's Duly Authorized Representative to certify and submit the Final SMCWPPP Updated PCBs and Mercury TMDL Implementation Plan and Reasonable Assurance report to the Regional Water Board, pending any final revisions.

(For further information or questions contact Reid Bogert at rbogert@smcgov.org)

RECOMMENDATION

That the Stormwater Committee (Committee) review and approve a recommendation for C/CAG's Duly Authorized Representative to certify and submit the Final SMCWPPP Updated PCBs and Mercury TMDL Implementation Plan and Reasonable Assurance report to the Regional Water Board, pending any final revisions.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

Provisions C.11.f and C.12.h of the current Municipal Regional Stormwater Permit require permittees to develop an updated PCBs (polychlorinated biphenyls) and Mercury TMDL (Total Maximum Daily Load) Implementation Plan and Reasonable Assurance Analysis report (Updated RAA Plan) identifying all technically and economically feasible mercury and PCBs control measures — including source control measures and green infrastructure projects — along with a schedule for their full implementation. The plan must evaluate and quantify the load reductions associated with these measures and assess their costs, efficiency, and significant environmental impacts.

The plan must also include a detailed implementation plan covering the subsequent permit term, identifying control measures implemented during the current term and any new measures proposed going forward. For each measure, the plan must describe the intended intensity or extent of implementation, the accountability metrics to be tracked, and the estimated load reductions achievable at the proposed implementation level. The update may focus on control measures where new information has emerged or that have not been previously evaluated. The Updated RAA Plan must be submitted to the Water Board no later than March 31, 2026.

The San Mateo Countywide Water Pollution Prevention Program (SMCWPPP) has developed the Draft Updated RAA Plan, which is an update to the PCBs and Mercury Control Measures Plan and RAA submitted during MRP 2.0. The Updated RAA Plan includes new estimates for PCBs load reductions associated with the various source control measures and programs

currently in place throughout San Mateo County as well as existing green infrastructure projects completed between 2002 and 2024. It also projects future load reductions associated with these ongoing and planned actions through the next two permit terms and with a final implementation date of 2080, when all control measures would be expected to be complete. As required the Updated RAA Plan also documents the estimated costs, efficiencies and control measure effectiveness, and potential environmental impacts applicable environmental review requirements under the California Environmental Quality Act. The Draft Updated RAA Plan includes the following components:

- Draft SCMWPPP TMDL Implementation Plan and RAA
- Appendix A - Source Control Load Reduction Accounting for RAA
- Appendix B – Green Infrastructure Modeling Report 2026 Update
- Appendix C – SMCWPPP Permittee Stormwater Treatment Facilities Map

C/CAG staff distributed the Draft Updated RAA Plan to the Stormwater Committee via email on March 2 and to the SMCWPPP PCBs Workgroup on March 9. Comments on the Draft Updated RAA Plan are due March 16. After comments are received, Program staff will revise the report as needed and circulate the final version to the Committee. Staff recommend the Committee approve a recommendation for C/CAG’s Duly Authorized Representative to certify and submit the Final SMCWPPP Updated PCBs and Mercury TMDL Implementation Plan and Reasonable Assurance report to the Regional Water Board, pending any final revisions.

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ATTACHMENTS

None.

C/CAG AGENDA REPORT

Date: March 19, 2026

To: Stormwater Committee

From: Reid Bogert, Stormwater Program Director

Subject: Review and approve a recommendation for the Bay Area Municipal Stormwater Collaborative to submit comments on proposed MRP 4 low priority provisions to the Regional Water Board.
(For further information or questions contact Reid Bogert at rbogert@smcgov.org)

RECOMMENDATION

That the Stormwater Committee (Committee) review and approve a recommendation for the Bay Area Municipal Stormwater Collaborative to submit comments on proposed MRP 4 low priority provisions to the Regional Water Board.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

The San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) adopted the current Municipal Regional Stormwater Permit (MRP 3.0) Order No. R2-2022-0018 on May 11, 2022, which became effective July 1, 2022 and is scheduled to expire June 30, 2027. The five MRP countywide stormwater programs participating in the Bay Area Municipal Stormwater Collaborative (BAMSC), including the San Mateo, Santa Clara, Alameda, Contra Costa and Solano countywide programs, and Regional Water Board staff co-hosted an MRP 4 kick-off meeting on October 30, 2025 initiating the process of planning and discussing potential modifications to the permit during the reissuance in partnership between the Regional Water Board and countywide stormwater program and permittee representatives.

On February 4, the Regional Water Board hosted a virtual meeting with the BAMSC MRP countywide programs and permittees to discuss low priority provisions. The intent of this meeting was to discuss the low priority provisions identified by Regional Water Board staff during the October 30 MRP 4 kick-off meeting. These provisions were identified as likely not requiring significant revision, with any changes being mostly for clarification and streamlining. The proposed low priority provisions include the following:

- A – Discharge Prohibitions
- B – Receiving Water Limitations
- C.2 – Municipal Operations
- C.4 – Industrial and Commercial Site Controls
- C.6 – Construction Site Controls
- C.7 – Public Information and Outreach
- C.9 – Pesticides Toxicity Control

- C.13 – Copper Controls
- C.16 – Discharge to Areas of Special Biological Significance
- C.18 – Control of Sediment Discharges from Coastal San Mateo Roads
- C.22 – Annual Reports
- C.23 – Modifications to this Order
- C.24 – Standards Provisions
- C.25 – Expiration Date
- C.26 – Rescission of Old Order
- C.27 – Effective Date

During the February 11 meeting, BAMSC program and permittee representatives shared general perspectives on the desire to reduce redundancies, outdated references and the overall reporting burden associated with the low priority provisions. Additional discussion arose regarding proposed changes to C.6, including inventorying construction sites, various construction-related permitting processes in relation to stormwater pollution prevention plan approvals, Industrial General Permit coordination and polychlorinated biphenyls requirements related to construction sites. BAMSC programs and permittees requested that this provision be elevated for additional discussion given the more substantive changes being considered. Following the coordination meeting with Regional Water Board staff, the BAMSC program managers held a follow-up internal meeting on March 5 to discuss several low priority provisions and specific recommended track-changes to help streamline and improve the implementation and reporting requirements for the following provisions (see Attachment 1 for BAMSC Comments on MRP 4 Low Priority Provisions):

- C.2 (Minor Updates)
- C.4 (Minor Updates)
- C.6 (No updates at this time; permittees would like to see Regional Water Board updates before proposing changes)
- C.9 (No Updates)
- C.13 (Minor Updates)
- C.22-C27 (No Updates)

Staff recommends the Committee review and approve a recommendation for the Bay Area Municipal Stormwater Collaborative to submit comments on proposed MRP 4 low priority provisions to the Regional Water Board.

EQUITY IMPACTS AND CONSIDERATIONS

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ATTACHMENTS

1. BAMSC Comments on MRP 4 Low Priority Provisions (The document is available on the C/CAG website at: <https://ccag.ca.gov/committees/stormwatercommittee/>. See “Additional Agenda Materials” for the relevant Stormwater Committee meeting.)

C/CAG AGENDA REPORT

Date: March 19, 2026

To: Stormwater Committee

From: Reid Bogert, Stormwater Program Director

Subject: Receive information on the Municipal Regional Stormwater Permit reissuance process and establishment of high priority provision workgroups.

(For further information or questions contact Reid Bogert at rbogert@smcgov.org)

RECOMMENDATION

That the Stormwater Committee (Committee) receive information on the Municipal Regional Stormwater Permit reissuance process and establishment of high priority provision workgroups.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

The San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) adopted the current Municipal Regional Stormwater Permit (MRP 3.0) Order No. R2-2022-0018 on May 11, 2022, which became effective July 1, 2022 and is scheduled to expire June 30, 2027. The five MRP countywide stormwater programs participating in the Bay Area Municipal Stormwater Collaborative (BAMSC), including the San Mateo, Santa Clara, Alameda, Contra Costa and Solano countywide programs, and Regional Water Board staff co-hosted an MRP 4 kick-off meeting on October 30, 2025 initiating the process of planning and discussing potential modifications to the permit during the reissuance in partnership between the Regional Water Board and countywide stormwater program and permittee representatives.

To support the reissuance process, the BAMSC developed two overarching documents including Tenets to Guide MRP Reissuance Discussions (Attachment 1) and MRP 4 Workgroup Engagement Guidelines (Attachment 2). The intent of the tenets and guidelines is to provide guiding principals and points of reference to ensure productive and efficient discussions with Regional Water Board staff and to ensure consistent and informed participation throughout the reissuance. The MRP Workgroup Engagement Guidelines provide further guidance in terms of attending different meetings related to the MRP reissuance, whether topic-specific workgroups or internal/external BAMSC Steering Committee meetings where broader discussions or topic-specific issues not discussed in workgroup may occur, as well as roles and responsibilities among countywide program staff, workgroup leads and permittee representatives. On behalf of the San Mateo Countywide Water Pollution Prevention Program, C/CAG staff and EOA Subcommittee leads will manage recruitment of San Mateo County permittees to participate in MRP 4 workgroups. To ensure productive and committed discussions, it is expected that no more than five permittee/program representatives attend each of the designated workgroups.

Additionally, in coordination with the BAMSC program managers, Regional Water Board staff develop a MRP 4 Workgroup Charter (Attachment 3), which is intended to be the overarching guidance document for coordination between Regional Water Board staff and MRP permittees and program representatives. The charter defines the structure and decision making process for MRP 4 workgroups, including a process to identify and document areas of agreement where consensus can be achieved, identify areas where additional information or discussion could lead to consensus, and a clear approach for identifying and documenting unresolved issues. The charter also provides more detail on staff roles and responsibilities among Regional Water Board staff and BAMSC representatives.

As documented in the charter, there will be topic specific workgroup meetings for the following high priority provisions:

- C.3 – New Development and Redevelopment
- C.10 – Trash Load Reduction
- C.12 – PCBs
- C.8 – Water Quality Monitoring

Medium priority provisions (e.g., C.15, C.17, C.20, C.21) and low priority provisions will be discussed as needed in separately scheduled meetings. The identified low priority provisions have already been discussed initially at a meeting held on February 4, including broad participation among permittees, and the BAMSC co-chairs plan to submit comments on identified low priority provision issues to Regional Water Board staff, following a subsequent meeting among the countywide program managers held on March 5.

The overall anticipated schedule for the reissuance process is as follows:

- Workgroups: begin March 2026
- Admin Draft (Release and Comment Period): September 2026
- Regional Water Board Public Workshop: January 13, 2027
- Tentative Order (Release and Comment Period): March-April 2027
- Adoption Hearing: May 12, 2027
- Effective Date: July 1, 2027

C/CAG staff will provide a summary of the MRP 4 reissuance guiding documents and solicit input from Committee members.

EQUITY IMPACTS AND CONSIDERATIONS

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Tenets to Guide MRP Reissuance Discussions
2. MRP 4 Workgroup Engagement Guidelines

3. MRP 4 Workgroup Charter

Bay Area Municipal Stormwater Collaborative (BAMSC)
Tenets to Guide MRP Reissuance Discussions
October 2025

These MRP (4) reissuance tenets were developed by the Bay Area Municipal Stormwater Collaborative (BAMSC) and were agreed upon by MRP Permittees and associated Stormwater Countywide Programs. The tenets are intended to provide guiding principles for BAMSC representatives while participating in the MRP Steering Committee and topic-specific work groups that are designed to help inform the reissuance of the Municipal Regional Permit for stormwater discharges in the San Francisco Bay Area (i.e., MRP 4). These tenets should serve as points of reference for participants representing BAMSC on the MRP Steering Committee and topic-specific workgroups to best align with Permittee overall perspectives and support productive discussions between Permittee/Program staff and Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) on the scopes and schedules of MRP 4 requirements.

1. Streamlining and Simplification

Objective: Focus on reducing complexity, administrative burden, and unnecessary provisions.

- **Minimize changes** to existing (MRP 3) provisions unless they reduce implementation burden.
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- **Eliminate duplicative and unimpactful requirements**—every provision should be necessary and improve stormwater quality.
- **Reduce reporting frequency and scope**, especially Executive Officer approvals and documentation.
- **Minimize meetings** outside of standing steering committee/workgroup meetings; use scheduled committee/workgroup meetings for discussions.

2. Equity and Scalability

Objective: Ensure fairness across Permittees and adapt requirements to local capacity, geographic distinctions, and risk.

- **Include scalable requirements** that balance Permittee capacity and priorities with stormwater impact.
- **Provide equity** in permit requirements, especially for disadvantaged communities.
- **Clarify applicability** of provisions for non-population-based Permittees (e.g., Flood Control Districts).
- **Reward or recognize early action and sustained compliance** to promote fairness and motivation.

3. Clarity, Alignment, and Data-Driven Decisions

Objective: Promote clear language, consistency with broader mandates, and informed decision-making.

- **Use concise and clear permit language**, avoiding contradictions.
- **Use available data** to inform scope and decisions and don't use the permit for research and development purposes.
- **Align terminology and goals** with climate resilience and "One Water" concepts.
- **Align permit requirements** with statewide mandates and TMDLs.
- **Ensure reporting requirements** are clearly stated, demonstrate effort and effectiveness, and aligned with annual reports.

4. Transparency, Trust, and Collaboration

Objective: Encourage open communication and mutual respect among stakeholders.

- **Early identification** of substantive changes to permit requirements during the reissuance process.
- **Promote trust** through timely release of draft materials and collaborative engagement.
- **Make space for discussions** at scheduled committee meetings to ensure inclusive dialogue.

MRP 4 Workgroup Engagement Guidelines

Bay Area Municipal Stormwater Collaborative (BAMSC) is responsible for assisting applicable Stormwater Countywide Programs in the MRP reissuance discussions with Regional Water Board staff. Workgroup discussions will start in March 2026 and extend through the adoption of the MRP, although more intense effort is anticipated between March and the release of the Administrative Draft.

To promote effective and efficient discussions, Workgroups (WGs) are intended to have representatives who are committed to attend and participate in meetings through the duration of the reissuance process. Permittee representatives will be designated by Countywide programs as those prepared with understanding of the topics and to represent their [Countywide co-permittees'] interests and to share relevant knowledge and experience of implementing the current permit. . The Workgroups will be convened in accordance with the *Municipal Regional NPDES Stormwater Permit (MRP) Reissuance 4 Workgroup Charter* (Attachment 1). Because many Permittees do not work on Fridays, to ensure their participation, workgroup meetings should not be scheduled on Fridays to the extent practical and none should be scheduled on Friday afternoons.

BAMSC has identified a mix of Workgroup Leads from each County and topic area to coordinate with Regional Water Board staff to plan and manage Workgroup

BAMSC Internal Steering Committee: Serves as the hub for the BAMSC WGs to update the Committee members on MRP 4 provision progress, areas of agreement, and disagreement. All (and only) Permittees and their representatives can participate in the BAMSC Internal Steering Committee.

BAMSC External Steering Committee: Serves as the all-inclusive forum for Permittees and Regional Water Board staff to review MRP 4 topic areas of consensus and disagreement determined at WGs. This Committee is the place where reports on technical subjects by Workgroup Leads and the Regional Water Board staff will be presented and perspectives shared. A separate MRP Steering Committee meeting(s) may be convened to support effective communication and attempt to resolve identified issues. All Permittees can participate in the BAMSC External Steering Committee.

Countywide Programs: Each Program will designate Primary and Secondary representatives who are committed to attend and prioritize engagement in the MRP 4 WGs

for the duration of the reissuance process, with the attempt to minimize staff changes throughout during the reissuance process.

BAMSC Subcommittees: (Existing) Serve as the technical support and sounding board to discuss proposed changes to the provisions within their purview. Provisions that do not have a relevant subcommittee will be addressed by an existing regional Workgroup or be addressed by the Internal Steering Committee. Subcommittee and Workgroup Leads should allocate sufficient time on their routine internal or external (as appropriate) meeting agendas or determine with the Workgroup Leads if a separate meeting is needed. All Permittees can participate in the BAMSC subcommittee meetings.

BAMSC Workgroup Leads: Serve as the co-leaders of the MRP 4 Workgroups along with the assigned Regional Board Staff Leads for the duration of the reissuance process. They are responsible for coordinating Permittee/Program representatives at the meetings and coordinating Permittee/Program technical information and presentations for the meeting. BAMSC Leads will report on Workgroup progress to the BAMSC Steering Committee and relevant BAMSC subcommittee or Workgroup. Workgroup Leads are those committed to attend and prioritize engagement in the MRP 4 WGs for the duration of the reissuance process, with the attempt to minimize staff changes throughout during the reissuance process.

Permittee/Program Representatives: Primary and Secondary Permittee representatives that will be designated by Countywide programs are those who are committed to attend and prioritize engagement in the MRP 4 WGs for the duration of the reissuance process. All attempts to minimize staff changes throughout the reissuance process will be made. The representatives serve as a liaison between the Workgroup and their Countywide programs by reporting back on BAMSC WGs reissuance progress, coordinating input and feedback from their Programs/Co-Permittees on topics of concern. Representatives will come to meetings prepared with understanding of the topics and to represent their Countywide co-permittees' interests and to share relevant knowledge and experience of implementing the current permit. /Program representatives who need to miss a meeting will familiarize themselves with the discussion and decisions of the missed meeting before the next meeting, communicating with their County and BASMC Workgroup Leads as needed.

San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board

Municipal Regional NPDES Stormwater Permit (MRP) Reissuance 4 Workgroup Charter

1. Purpose

The purpose of the Municipal Regional NPDES Stormwater Permit (MRP) Reissuance Workgroups (Workgroups) is to provide a structured, transparent, and collaborative forum for Permittees and Water Board staff to discuss, evaluate, and negotiate changes for the next iteration of the MRP, MRP 4. Water Board staff will use the outcome of Workgroup discussions to help develop the MRP 4 administrative draft.

Workgroup participants include Water Board staff and MRP Permittees and their designated representatives (Permittees). Workgroups are intended to be collaborative and advisory in nature; final permit decisions rest with the Water Board. Workgroup discussions will not be interpreted as constraining or limiting the power, authority, jurisdiction, and/or discretion of the Water Board or its staff.

The Workgroups are intended to:

- Encourage open communication and mutual respect among stakeholders
- Identify and document areas of agreement where consensus can be achieved
- Identify areas where additional information or discussion could lead to consensus and consider how that could fit into the reissuance process
- Establish a clear approach for identifying and documenting unresolved issues
- Support efficient use of staff time and resources for Permittees and Water Board staff

2. Scope

A Workgroup will be formed for each provision that requires significant discussion and/or language changes (i.e., priority provisions). The Workgroups will identify and document areas of agreement and unresolved issues – areas of agreement will be incorporated into the administrative draft, and unresolved issues will be brought to the Board for consideration as part of the reissuance process.

The Workgroups will not address issues outside the scope of the priority provisions and MRP 4 unless all participants explicitly agree. For example, discussions around the current permit (MRP 3) will focus on lessons learned that should be incorporated into

MRP 4. Workgroups that identify cross cutting issues should document and bring them to the relevant workgroups or Steering Committee's attention.

3. Roles and Responsibilities

Workgroup participants will actively and consistently participate in Workgroup meetings and promptly respond to Workgroup-related communications. The roles and responsibilities of Workgroup participants are as follows:

- Keith Lichten, Water Board Assistant Executive Officer: Provides oversight and affirms final agency positions.
- Rebecca Nordenholt, Project Manager: Coordinates the Workgroup process in coordination with the BAMSC Program Managers, manages timelines, and ensures documentation of Workgroup discussions, including resolved and unresolved issues, are recorded.
- Water Board staff, Permit Writer / Technical Lead: Develops permit conditions and evaluates technical input. Coordinates meeting dates, logistics, and sets agendas with the BAMSC Provision Leads. Facilitates meetings. Water Board Provision Leads:

High Priority Provisions

- C.3 – New Development and Redevelopment, Mel Johnson
- C.8 – Water Quality Monitoring, Ashraf Ali
- C.10 – Trash Load Reduction, Imtiaz-Ali Kalyan
- C.12 – PCBs, Ashraf Ali

Medium Priority Provisions

- C.5 – Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination, Joe Monical
- C.11 – Mercury Controls, Ashraf Ali
- C.14 – Bacteria Control for Impaired Water Bodies, Mel Johnson
- C.15 – Exempted and Conditionally Exempted Discharges, Mel Johnson
- C.17 – Unsheltered Homelessness, Imtiaz-Ali Kalyan
- C.19 – East Contra Costa Permittees, Ashraf Ali
- C.20 – Cost Reporting, Joe Monical
- C.21 – Asset Management, Mel Johnson

Low Priority Provisions

- A, B, C.1, C.9, C.18, C.23 - C.27 – Rebecca Nordenholt
- C.2, C.4, C.6, C.7, C.16, C.22 – Joe Monical
- C.13 – Ashraf Ali

- BAMSC Provision Lead: Works with Water Board staff to develop agendas and coordinate Permittee representation at Workgroup meetings. BAMSC Provision Leads:
 - C.3 – New Development and Redevelopment, Daniel Matlock and Jill Bicknell
 - C.10 – Trash Load Reduction, Ben Livsey and Chris Sommers
 - C.12 – PCBs, Lisa Austin and Lisa Sabin
 - C.8 – Water Quality Monitoring, Bonnie de Berry and Kelly O'Hara
 - Medium Priority Provisions, **TBD**
 - Low Priority Provisions, Rinta Perkins and Sandy Mathews

- Notetaker, Water Board staff identified prior to the start of each meeting: Prepares and distributes draft and final meeting summaries and documentation (see Section 4).
- Countywide Stormwater Program Managers: Support process, e.g., by providing comments and coordinating Permittee comments and participation.

- Permittees: Provide comments, data, and proposed alternatives.

4. Meeting Documentation

A written draft meeting summary for each meeting will be distributed to participants within an agreed-upon timeframe (e.g., 2 weeks). Draft meeting summaries will include:

- Topics discussed
- Key points raised
- Areas of agreement and/or unresolved issues
- Action items and responsible parties

Comments from meeting participants will be requested by Water Board staff Leads. Comments will be provided by participants in a timely manner. Draft meeting summaries that address comments provided will be finalized at the next meeting.

4.1 Agreement Identification and Documentation

When agreement is reached, Water Board staff will prepare a summary documenting the discussion and agreement. The agreed-upon changes will be incorporated into the administrative draft of MRP 4.

4.2. Unresolved Issue Identification and Documentation

Unresolved issues arise when, despite reasonable efforts, Water Board staff and Permittees are unable to reach an agreement on material permit conditions, and further discussion is unlikely to resolve them.

The goal in recognizing an unresolved issue is to avoid unfruitful use of staff and Permittee time when additional change through the workgroup process is unlikely or not possible. Unresolved issues may result when, for example:

- Permittee and Water Board staff positions remain unchanged after multiple discussions.
- Modification would conflict with statutory or regulatory requirements.
- There is insufficient time to resolve the issue and meet permit reissuance deadlines.

Unresolved issues will be recognized in meeting summaries. Meeting summaries will document the different perspectives of each unresolved issue. These issues will be considered for internal elevation prior to Board review. Should they remain unresolved, they will be subject to Board review during the reissuance process.

5. Schedule and Duration

Each Workgroup will meet on a schedule agreed upon by the participants. In general, the schedules align with the Water Board reissuance timeline. This timeline may be revisited by the Water Board if additional time is needed to continue progress. The Workgroups will remain active until:

- The Workgroup determines that its objectives have been met, or
- Remaining issues are unresolved, and the Workgroup determines that additional meetings will not resolve the issue, or
- The Water Board issues an administrative draft of MRP 4. Workgroups may consider meeting after the draft has been issued to review language and continue discussion of issues.

6. Success Criteria

- Discussions are transparent, consistent, and appropriately documented.
- Staff time and resources for Permittees and the Water Board are used efficiently.

C/CAG AGENDA REPORT

Date: March 19, 2026
To: Stormwater Committee
From: Dan Sternkopf, Senior Program Specialist
Subject: Receive a presentation on the San Bruno Creek OneWatershed Pilot Study.

(For further information or questions contact Dan Sternkopf at dsternkopf@smcgov.org)

RECOMMENDATION

That the Stormwater Committee (Committee) receive a presentation on the San Bruno Creek OneWatershed Pilot Study.

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

SOURCE OF FUNDS

N/A

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

C/CAG's Countywide Stormwater Program culminated the \$650,000 multi-agency funding from the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation under the Integrated Climate Adaptation and Resilience Program (ICARP) Adaptation Planning Grant Program for the San Mateo County OneWatershed Climate Resilience Framework and Community-Led Plan project (the Project) by developing the San Bruno Creek OneWatershed Pilot Study (Pilot Study).

In collaboration with the partner agencies including Climate Resilient Communities (CRC), the San Mateo County Flood and Sea Level Rise Resiliency District (OneShoreline), City of San Bruno, County of San Mateo Sustainability Department, City of South San Francisco's South San Francisco-San Bruno Regional Water Quality Control Plant, and the Bay Area Water Supply & Conservation Agency (BAWSCA), C/CAG developed the OneWatershed Framework ("Framework"), which is detailed in the OneWatershed Framework Report (C/CAG, 2025), as a method to assess the regional and shared climate change hazard exposure to water infrastructure and resources (sewer, water, and stormwater). The Framework was also developed to establish a cross-sector institutional foundation to build adaptive capacity to reduce risks and increase

resilience to climate change hazards for the most vulnerable communities in San Mateo County through climate resilience-focused programs, policies, and green and/or gray infrastructure projects. The OneWatershed Framework is intended to be a model that can be applied to watersheds throughout San Mateo County. As part of the Framework development, the San Bruno Creek was identified as a location to apply the OneWatershed Framework in the form of a Pilot Study.

In 2025, the Project Management Team (PMT) worked collaboratively with CRC and Resilient San Bruno (a group of residents in San Bruno with an interest in addressing climate change impacts in their community) to pilot the following three steps of the Framework in the San Bruno Creek watershed:

- Step 1: Identify multi-agency, multi-stakeholder collaborative partnerships specific to communities in the target watershed.
- Step 2: Assess watershed-scale vulnerability of OneWatershed infrastructure and assets to climate change hazards.
- Step 3: Identify and prioritize climate resilience projects.

The Pilot Study describes the community-led process for applying the OneWatershed Framework at the watershed scale through (1) combining the CRC-led Community Vulnerability Assessment (CVA) with shared localized climate change hazard exposure results, (2) gaining input from community members on the priorities for vulnerable OneWatershed infrastructure assets and potential mitigation measures, (3) identifying potential projects, policies, and programs to address the identified needs, and (4) selecting one project for conceptual design.

A primary outcome of the Pilot Study was to select one pilot “OneWatershed project” in the San Bruno Creek Watershed, based on the outcome of the CVA process, and develop a preliminary concept design to leverage for future grant funding. The PMT proposed ten project types that were reflective of community input and the OneWatershed Framework priorities in terms of multi-benefit climate resilience projects—some of which are planned ongoing efforts led by various partners in the watershed, and some of which are newly identified opportunities intended to address community interest and needs. The ten project types include: 1. San Bruno Creek Resilience Project (led by OneShoreline), 2. Updated Storm Drain Master Plan (led by the City of San Bruno), 3. Pre-Storm Streets Maintenance (led by the City of San Bruno), 4. Water Conservation & Supply Projects (led by BAWSCA, City of San Bruno and C/CAG), 5. Winter Flood Preparedness (identified as a new community-led idea), 6. Green Streets (led by C/CAG and the City of San Bruno), 7. Low Impact Development (led by C/CAG and the City of San Bruno), 8. Low to Non-Cost Air Quality Home Upgrades (led by CRC), 9. Community Litter Pickup Events (identified as a new community-led idea), and 10. Mobile Resilience Unit (identified as a new community-led idea). More information on the project types can be found [online](#).

Of the project types identified, a multi-benefit, LID, or green streets project located in the vicinity of Belle Air Elementary School was selected to move ahead to the concept stage. The

process of choosing which project types to move ahead to the concept stage began with the consideration of three alternatives, after which, with input from the PMT and Resilient San Bruno!, the Belle Air Elementary School LID project was chosen as the preferred project. Within Belle Air Elementary, proposed elements include a 1. demonstration rain garden in the courtyard with a three-dimensional relief map showing the natural flow of water within the San Bruno Creek Watershed, 2. large nature play zone with new trees and an outdoor classroom or amphitheater along the eastern edge of the school property, 3. bioswale feature with wood bridges in the play yard, 4. nine 200-gallon rain barrels to capture and reuse roof runoff, and 5. four Silva Cell tree wells within the courtyard. Educational signage is proposed at key features. C/CAG staff will provide a summary of the Pilot Study process and outcomes.

EQUITY IMPACTS AND CONSIDERATIONS

The ICARP and Adaptation Planning Grant Program emphasize reducing climate risk to the most vulnerable and underserved communities. The *OneWatershed Pilot Study* project addresses this primary goal through partnership with Climate Resilient Communities (CRC), a community-based organization working to increase the adaptive capacity of communities in San Mateo County through a community-centered engagement process. The OneWatershed Framework, Pilot Study, and countywide shared risk assessment include vulnerable community demographic data to identify broad scale areas of shared risk in the County. The Pilot Study applies CRC's community vulnerability assessment model for conducting a community scale vulnerability assessment.

1. Final San Mateo County OneWatershed Pilot Study with Appendices (The document is available on the C/CAG website at: <https://ccag.ca.gov/committees/stormwater-committee/>. See "Additional Agenda Materials" for the relevant Stormwater Committee meeting.)

C/CAG AGENDA REPORT

Date: March 19, 2026
To: Stormwater Committee
From: Dan Sternkopf, Senior Program Specialist
Subject: Receive stormwater program related information and announcements.

(For further information or questions contact Dan Sternkopf at dsternkopf@smcgov.org)

RECOMMENDATION

That the Stormwater Committee (Committee) receive stormwater program related information and announcements.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

C/CAG's Stormwater Committee provides policy and technical advice and recommendations to the C/CAG Board of Directors and direction to technical subcommittees on all matters relating to stormwater management and compliance with associated regulatory mandates from the State Water Resources Control Board and San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board. Staff provides regular updates on information regarding stormwater compliance and other Countywide Stormwater Program activities, as detailed below for the months of December through January.

- 1) C/CAG Board updates:
 - February: Received a presentation from Climate Resilient Communities on its community-focused climate adaptation work, including rain garden installations and partnership with C/CAG on the OneWatershed Framework and Pilot Study.
- 2) Annual Reports:
 - FY24-25 Annual Reports – Regional Water Board staff have indicated they have completed initial review of the FY24-25 Annual Reports and plan to provide comments to the countywide stormwater program managers and permittees. Regional Water Board staff plan to send general comments to the countywide program managers and permittee specific comments to individual permittees. Generally, the comments will be focused on major milestone provisions and also provisions that Regional Water Board staff provided comments on in Fiscal Year 2023-24.
- 3) Stormwater Legislation: C/CAG staff is tracking bills of interest in the California State Legislature the 2025-2026 Legislative Cycle, as detailed below:

- SB 601 (Allen) – Nexus Waters. This bill would establish new water quality regulations and litigation provisions under the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act for “nexus waters”, intending to close a potential regulatory gap in the federal Clean Water Act following the Sackett v. USEPA decision on Waters Of the US. The bill failed to pass out of the Assembly during the last legislative year and is now a two-year bill. Senator Allen has brought it back for the second year of the legislative cycle. The California Stormwater Quality Association is engaged in the development of this bill in its second year. The latest information is that the bill will go through a “gut-and-amend” process with a potential option for a Waste Discharge Requirement in-lieu of Nexus Waters to fill any potential regulatory gaps for Waters Of the US.
- AB 2051 (Wicks) – Public resources: Coastal Resilience Permitting Working Group. This bill directs the California Natural Resources Agency (CNRA), in consultation with the California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA), to convene an interagency Coastal Resilience Permitting Working Group to identify administrative actions and legislative recommendations to streamline and accelerate permitting for coastal resilience and sea level rise adaptation projects.
- SB 1180 (Allen) – Plastic Pollution Prevention and Packaging Producer Responsibility Act: California Plastic Pollution Mitigation Fund. This bill adds spending rules to California's existing Plastic Pollution Mitigation Fund. Currently, the fund distributes money 60/40 between environmental justice and ecological impact efforts, but has few guardrails on how that money gets used. This bill sets clearer standards for how grants are awarded and administered — requiring that expenditures prioritize communities most burdened by plastic pollution, achieve measurable mitigation goals, and push toward reducing plastic production and single-use culture overall. It also streamlines the grant process by mandating a single standardized application across all implementing agencies, requiring technical assistance for applicants, and standardizing how indirect costs are reimbursed. Finally, it requires the Secretary for Environmental Protection to publish an annual public list of all fund expenditures.

4) Polychlorinated Biphenyls Total Maximum Daily Load Reopener:

The Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for San Francisco Bay was adopted into the Region 2 Basin Plan in 2010 to address impairment of Bay waters due to elevated PCB levels in sport fish and sediments. The PCBs TMDL specifies a numeric target in fish tissue PCB concentration of 10 µg/kg wet weight and sets a long-term average annual load of 10 kg/year of PCBs and allocates loads among external sources (e.g., stormwater, wastewater) and internal sources (e.g., resuspension of contaminated sediments). The TMDL includes an associated wasteload allocation of 2 kg/year for stormwater runoff related loads (i.e., an approximate 90% reduction in PCBs from stormwater runoff). The current deadline for achieving the prescribed wasteload allocation is 2030. As shown in SMCWPPP’s PCBs Control Measure Plan submitted to the Regional Water Board in 2020, the cost of implementing the San Mateo County portion of the TMDL by the 2030 deadline was estimated to be \$1.1 billion. Due to the broadly recognized engineering and financial constraints of the existing TMDL timeline, Regional Water Board staff are planning a TMDL revision process to evaluate and consider a time extension on the TMDL. To initiate this process, Regional Water Board staff are now

planning to present an informational item on the San Francisco Bay PCB TMDL Revision Strategy at the June 10, 2026 Regional Water Board meeting. The presentation will outline the planned approach to revising the PCB TMDL and will summarize updated data and science since the TMDL was adopted in 2010, updated PCB sediment source estimates, and refined watershed models.

- 5) C.15 Firefighting Discharges Coordination: Following the discussion at the February Stormwater Committee meeting on supporting the C.15 Firefighting Discharges requirements under the Municipal Regional Stormwater Permit (MRP), SMCWPPP staff plan to develop a coordination process with the fire departments serving the 21 municipalities in San Mateo County. Staff will be plan to coordinate with the Fire Chiefs Association of San Mateo County to arrange a future meeting to provide updates on the MRP requirements and to facilitate a survey to each of the fire departments to gather data and information that would be relevant to the San Mateo County permittees for Annual Reports related to this provision. Staff will include the relevant Stormwater Committee representatives in communications with the applicable fire departments.
- 6) Targeted Approach to Reducing PCBs EPA Application: C/CAG submitted an application on March 3 to the Environmental Protection Agency Region 9 San Francisco Bay Program Office funds for \$3.805 million in grant funds for the proposed Targeted Approach to Reducing PCBs in San Mateo County. The application also includes \$1.27 million in planned local match to be provided primarily by through in-kind consultant services through the San Mateo Countywide Pollution Prevention Program over the course of approximately 5 years. The primary goal of the proposed project is to support enhanced PCBs monitoring and BMP implementation to support the San Mateo County permittees comply with the C.11/12 provisions related to the PCBs and mercury Total Maximum Daily Load requirements of the Municipal Regional Stormwater Permit (MRP), with a focus on MRP 4 compliance. Awards will be announced April to May.
- 7) Funding Opportunities: The Countywide Stormwater Program continues to track and evaluate funding opportunities to support program developments and C/CAG's member agencies with opportunities to fund local stormwater projects and programs. The California Grants Portal is a useful resource to track statewide and regional funding opportunities - <https://www.grants.ca.gov/>.
 - Prop 4 (Climate Bond) - Authorized \$10B in general obligation bond funding for climate resilience, including stormwater capture projects and urban greening. Stormwater management is included with \$110M total allocated from the total bond authorization. For FY25-26, the State Water Board plans to allocate approximately \$1M to support development of the initial grant guidelines for the Prop 4 Stormwater Grant Program. Because Prop 4 did not include an exemption from the Administrative Procedure Act (APA), the main implementing rules and guidelines for funded programs generally must be adopted as regulations under the APA unless an exemption is later enacted. Accordingly, the State Water Board (and other administering entities) must follow APA rulemaking procedures, including obtaining approval by the Office of Administrative

Law (OAL), before guideline-level requirements take effect. The State Water Board currently anticipates seeking approval for the APA procedures between now and summer of 2026 and releasing a final call for projects in fall 2026.

- C/CAG has developed and is submitting congressional community-directed spending requests to the offices of Senators Schiff and Padilla and Congressman Mullin the week of March 9, including \$1.8 million under the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development account for funding additional design and construction funding for three sustainable streets projects in East Palo Alto, Daly City and South San Francisco and \$1.5 million under the NOAA Coastal Zone Management account to develop a set of updated data, tools and resources to support climate resilience planning under the proposed OneWatershed Strategic Plan. The same budget requests have been submitted to State Assemblymember Diane Papan for consideration as part of the State appropriations process.
- Due June 2, 2026 — USBR WaterSMART [Small-Scale Water Efficiency Projects](#) [Amount: up to \$125,000 | Match: 50%] To implement projects that conserve water and enhance water supply reliability in water delivery systems that have been identified through previous planning efforts. Projects eligible for funding include installation of flow measurement or automation in a specific part of a water delivery system, lining of a section of a canal to address seepage, or other similar projects. There will be an informational webinar for this program held on Thursday, March 19, 2026, at 10:00 MT - register at this link to join the webinar.
- Due July 28, 2026 — USBR WaterSMART [Drought Response Program](#) [Amount: up to \$3,000,000 | Match: 50%] For projects designed to improve drought resilience by developing effective water management strategies and drought contingency plans, such as infrastructure improvements for increased water storage and distribution capabilities, water source diversification, decision-making tools for water management, and comprehensive planning to prepare for and respond to drought conditions.

EQUITY IMPACTS AND CONSIDERATIONS

This item is necessary for the administration and operations of C/CAG.

ATTACHMENTS

1. None.