

SEWER AUTHORITY MID-COASTSIDE
Staff Report

Subject / Title

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Staff Recommendation:

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Fiscal Impact:

None.

Discussion/Report:

BACKGROUND:

The State Water Resources Control Board adopted the Statewide General Waste Discharge Requirement Order No. 2006-0003 (Order) on May 2, 2006. The Order requires that all public collection systems comprised of more than one mile of pipeline be regulated. The purpose of the Order is to protect the State’s water from wastewater discharges associated with periodic system failure. The State Water Resources Control Board adopted the Statewide General Waste Discharge Requirement Order No. 2006-0003 (Order) on May 2, 2006. The Order requires that all public collection systems comprised of more than one mile of pipeline be regulated. The purpose of the Order is to protect the State’s water from wastewater discharges associated with periodic system failures.

The Order requires that each operator of a publicly-owned collection system develop and implement a system specific Sanitary Sewer Management Plan (SSMP). According to the Order, the purpose of the SSMP is to facilitate proper funding and management of sanitary sewer systems statewide. Compliance with the Order is also a provision of the Sewer Authority Mid-Coastside’s (SAM) National Pollution Discharge Elimination Program Permit for the SAM’s Water Pollution Control plant adopted in March, 2007.

The SSMP is comprised of eleven elements: Collection System Management Goals; Organization of Personnel; Legal Authority for Permitting Flows to the System; Operations and Maintenance Activities; Design and Performance Provisions; Overflow Emergency Response Plan; Fats, Oils and Grease Program; System Capacity Assurance; System Monitoring and Measurement Plan; Internal SSMP Audits; and SSMP Public Communications Program.

The Order requires that the full plan be completed and adopted by August 2, 2009 for agencies with a population between 10,000 and 100,000.

The State Water Resources Control Board's Sanitary Sewer Overflow program, including the SSMP requirements, can be found here:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/sso/

DISCUSSION:

The SSMP was developed by the SAM, the City of Half Moon Bay, the Granada Sanitary District and the Montara Water and Sanitary District. Each agency provided its own information which was used in the creation of the document. SAM and Member Agency staff developed this document between June 2006 and August 2008. Each of the Member Agency managers worked closely with SAM staff to complete the document. SAM staff has also coordinated with the SAM consultant EOA, and the San Francisco Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) in developing the SSMP. SAM has taken a lead role in producing the overall document and will be responsible for working with each Member Agency manager to ensure that the plan is reviewed as required and kept up to date. All portions of SAM's Sewer System Management Plan (SSMP) have previously been presented to SAM Directors in installments at previous Board meetings.

The entire plan can be viewed at:

<http://www.samcleanswater.org/SSMP/SSMPDocument2008SubmissionFinal.pdf>

A copy is also available for review at tonight's meeting.

The Order requires that the full plan be completed and adopted by August 2, 2009 for agencies with a population between 10,000 and 100,000. The Granada Sanitary District adopted their resolution on July 16. The City of Half Moon Bay adopted their resolution on July 21, 2009. The Montara Water and Sanitary District is scheduled to adopt their resolution on August 6, 2009, however, because their population is less than 10,000, they are allowed more time and will be ahead of schedule.

Attached please find SAM Resolution 9-2009 for Board review and adoption.

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**SEWER AUTHORITY MID-COASTSIDE
RESOLUTION NO. 9-2009**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINAL SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM
MANAGEMENT PLAN (SSMP) AS REQUIRED BY THE STATE WATER RESOURCES
CONTROL BOARD ORDER 2006-003-DWQ “STATEWIDE GENERAL WASTE
DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR SANITARY SEWER SYSTEMS”**

WHEREAS, on July 7, 2005, the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) issued a letter requiring public agencies that own and operate sanitary sewer collection systems to prepare a Sewer System Management Plan (SSMP) and promulgating guidelines for the preparation of the SSMP; and

WHEREAS, on May 2, 2006, the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB), issued Order No. 2006-0003-DWQ “Statewide General Waste Discharge Requirements for Sanitary Sewer Systems (GWDR)”;

WHEREAS, the purpose of the GWDR is to develop a regulatory mechanism to provide a consistent statewide approach for reducing sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the statewide GWDR, public agencies that own and operate sanitary sewer systems greater than one mile in length must develop an SSMP in accordance with Order No. 2006-0003-DWQ requirements and present it to the agency’s governing board for approval at a public meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Sewer Authority Mid-Coastside has, in collaboration with its member agencies, the City of Half Moon Bay, the Granada Sanitary District, and the Montara Water and Sanitary District, developed an SSMP based on the RWQCB guidelines and GWDR requirements, and has certified its various elements to the RWQCB and SWRCB within the time frames specified in the July 7, 2005 letter and the GWDR.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Sewer Authority Mid-Coastside, by this resolution, approves the final SSMP and its implementation, and directs the Manager to periodically update the SSMP as necessary to reflect current regulatory requirements and best practices.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a resolution duly passed and adopted by the Board of Directors of the Sewer Authority Mid-Coastside at a regular meeting held thereof on the 27th day of July, 2009, by the following vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Secretary
Sewer Authority Mid-Coastside

ATTEST: _____
Secretary