

# Notice of Exemption

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County Clerk Contra Costa County

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

## Project Title:

Pinole-Hercules Water Pollution Control Plant and its wastewater collection system, Pinole, Contra Costa County – Reissuance of NPDES Permit

## Project Location - Specific:

The permit regulates the discharge of secondary-treated municipal wastewater to San Pablo Bay from a deepwater outfall (38.0517°, -122.2700°).

**Project Location - City** Pinole **Project Location - County:** Contra Costa

## Description of Project:

Waste Discharge Requirements permit the Pinole-Hercules Water Pollution Control Plant to treat and discharge an average dry weather flow of up to 4.06 million gallons per day to San Pablo Bay.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** California Regional Water Quality Control Board

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** California Regional Water Quality Control Board

## Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Section 13389 of the California Water Code
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

## Reasons why project is exempt:

The project is the adoption of an NPDES permit.

**Lead Agency:** San Francisco Bay Regional Water Board

**Contact Person:** Samuel Plummer

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (510) 622-2485

## If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project?  Yes  No

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 6/16/2023 Title: Executive Officer

Eileen White

Signed by Lead Agency

Signed by Applicant

Date received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_