

**Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal****Form F**

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Project Title: Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Grazing Operations in North San Francisco Bay

Lead Agency: California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region 2

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Project Location: North San Francisco Bay Region Marin, Sonoma, and Napa Counties  
*City* *County*

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board currently regulates about 88,000 acres of grazing lands in the Tomales Bay, Sonoma Creek, and Napa River watersheds with two separate Conditional Waivers of Waste Discharge Requirements for Grazing Operations (existing Grazing Waivers). A revised multi-watershed Grazing Waiver is proposed to renew the existing Grazing Waivers and to expand the scope of coverage to include the Petaluma River watershed and Grazing Operations in Point Reyes National Seashore that do not drain to Tomales Bay. Requirements for Grazing Waiver compliance will largely remain the same. Grazing Waiver requirements include conditions for grazing operations to minimize and control discharges of animal waste and sediment runoff, including evaluation of operating practices; identification of comprehensive site-specific pathogen and sediment control measures; development of a schedule for the implementation of management actions; and, annual reporting on actions taken.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

The project would result in less than significant impacts to the environment. No mitigation measures are proposed.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

The project applies to lands at Point Reyes National Seashore (the Park) that have grazing operations. Grazing at the Park has been controversial for many years. Recent agreements between The Nature Conservancy and private ranchers will result in the closure of some grazing operations and all dairies at the Park. Future development of a targeted grazing program within these areas by The Nature Conservancy and the National Park Service is anticipated.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

California Coastal Commission  
California Coastal Conservancy  
Department of Conservation  
Environmental Protection Agency  
Department of Fish & Wildlife  
Department of Food & Agriculture  
Native American Heritage Commission  
San Francisco Bay Conservation & Development Commission  
Marin County  
Napa County  
Sonoma County  
National Park Service