

# NORTH COAST REGIONAL WATER BOARD

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## *Non-Point Source & Surface Water Protection Division*

### *Programs:*

*Forest Activities*

*Surface Waterbody Protection Program*

*Dairy Program*

*Restoration Program*

*Five-Year Nonpoint Source Workplan*

FY 2018-2019 WORK PLAN

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## 1.0 NONPOINT SOURCE AND SURFACE WATER PROTECTION DIVISION

The Nonpoint Source and Surface Water Protection Division (Division) is made up of three staffed units that conduct the primary core activities, several special projects/programs, and one dedicated restoration specialist. The three staffed units include the Northern and Southern Nonpoint Source and Forestry Units (informally referred to as the “Forest Activities Program”) and the Nonpoint Source and 401 Certification Unit. The restoration specialist is a senior-level staff who works directly with the division chief and who’s focus is to support the implementation of the *Policy in Support of Restoration in the North Coast Region*.

### 1.1 Forest Activities Program

The Forest Activities Program (FAP) of the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) addresses nonpoint source (NPS) discharges associated with the use of our forested landscapes. Forest use activities with the potential to discharge sediment and remove stream shading primarily include: timber harvesting, fuels management, vegetation management, salvage logging and post-fire impacts, road construction, livestock grazing, and recreational use. Regulating potential water quality impacts from these forest use activities is consistent with the abundance of timber, rainfall, water resources, sensitive geologies, and threatened and endangered salmonid species in the North Coast Region.

Our forested watersheds are of significant economic importance, providing a source of water supply, timber, fisheries, and recreational use, while supporting a diverse array of both terrestrial and aquatic species, including several threatened and endangered salmonid species. Potential impacts from land disturbing activities in our forests include sediment discharges from felling trees; yarding and hauling of logs; road construction and reconstruction; watercourse crossing construction, reconstruction, or removal; livestock grazing; herbicide applications; and road use and maintenance. Impacts to stream temperature can result from removal of vegetation providing shade to streams. These activities can impact the beneficial uses of water by: 1) silting over fish spawning habitats; 2) clogging drinking water intakes; 3) filling in pools creating shallower, wider, and warmer streams, and increasing downstream flooding; 4) creating unstable stream channels; 5) losing riparian habitat and function; and 6) increasing stream temperatures.

Some forest use activities have the potential to positively affect the beneficial uses of our surface waters. Timber harvesting and fuels reduction operations provide an opportunity to decommission replace or reconstruct legacy roads which are frequent sources of chronic sediment inputs to surface waters. Fuels reduction projects can assist in reducing wildfire severity and thus can reduce post-fire sediment discharges. Mitigation and restoration work can provide opportunities for addressing legacy erosion sites and removal of fish migration barriers.

The Regional Water Board has developed several permits (i.e. Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) or Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements (Waivers)) for

addressing NPS discharges associated with forest management activities on both private and US Forest Service lands.

#### Other Forest Activities Program Activities

- *Participation in the Timber Regulation and Forest Restoration Program (TRFRP)*  
Regional Water Board forest activities program staff are members of the TRFRP leadership team and various working groups. TRFRP provides statewide guidance to a variety of timber harvest related activities, including regulation, interagency coordination, restoration, grants, monitoring, improving efficiencies, training, etc.
- *Participation in CAL FIRE Review Team Process*  
Regional Water Board program staff coordinates with CAL FIRE in the review of timber harvest projects submitted for non-federal lands. Detailed review and field inspections by Regional Board staff are reserved for those projects that appear to pose the greatest threat to water quality. This effort constitutes a proactive approach to prevent timber harvest related impacts on water quality and assists in educating the timber industry of the need to implement additional management measures (beyond those required by the Board of Forestry's Forest Practice Rules) where necessary to comply with Porter-Cologne, our Basin Plan objectives, and Total Maximum Daily Load requirements.
- *Participation in the California Board of Forestry Committees and Rule Making Process*  
Program staff attend select Board of Forestry committee and regular meetings where proposed rule changes relating to water quality protection are drafted and then considered for adoption.
- *Coordination with the State Water Board, CAL FIRE and Other Regional Boards*  
Staff works closely with the State Water Board and other regional boards to coordinate review and oversight of forest activities, comment on proposed legislation, and communicate regularly on issues with the potential to affect the program.
- *Outreach to Industry and Watershed Groups*  
Staff works with local watershed groups to address concerns regarding water quality issues associated with forest activities. Staff also communicates with the regulated industry by speaking at conferences and industry group meetings.
- *Enforcement Actions*  
Staff initiates enforcement actions in the form of Notices of Violation for corrective actions, Cleanup and Abatement Orders, or civil penalties for those activities that violate WDR or Waiver conditions and threaten to adversely affect water quality.

#### **1.2 Nonpoint Source and 401 Certification Unit**

The Nonpoint Source and 401 Certification Unit staff assist the public in understanding the rules and regulations regarding proposed projects that may impact "waters of the state", which are defined as any surface water or groundwater, including saline waters, within the boundaries of the state. Examples of waters of the state include but are not limited to isolated wetlands, coastal wetlands, streams, rivers, lakes, and groundwater.

If a project is located within or adjacent to waters of the state, and the proposed project may directly or indirectly impact those waters, the applicant is required to apply for a Water Quality Certification and/or Waste Discharge Requirements (Dredge/Fill Projects). The rules and regulations apply to all waters of the state, including isolated wetlands and stream channels that may be dry during much of the year, have been modified in the past, look like a depression or drainage ditch, have no riparian corridor, or are on private land. 401 Program staff review the projects, visit the project sites, and write the permits, which are issued by the Executive Officer.

Anyone proposing to conduct a project that requires a federal permit or involves dredge or fill activities that may result in a discharge to U.S. surface waters and waters of the state, are required to obtain a Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 401 Water Quality Certification from the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board.

If a proposed project does not require a federal permit, but does involve dredge or fill activities that may result in a discharge to waters of the state, the Regional Board has the option to regulate the project under its state authority (Porter-Cologne) in the form of Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) or Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements.

Restoration projects, such as fish passage improvements, large woody debris fish habitat structures, beaver dam analogs (BDAs), and other restoration projects are also permitted through the Nonpoint Source and 401 Certification Unit.

The Nonpoint Source and 401 Certification Unit also responds to complaints that may involve impacts to waters of the state. Complaints may require enforcement actions by 401 Program staff, in cooperation with Office of Chief Counsel, Office of Enforcement, County District Attorneys, Attorney General, or Federal Department of Justice. 401 Staff also will enforce requirements within issued 401 Certifications/WDRs, or other issued permits.

### **1.3 Dairy Program**

The Dairy Program for the Regional Water Board currently regulates waste discharge from dairies under two orders: 1) General Waste Discharge Requirements for Existing Cow Dairies in the North Coast Region, Order No. R1-2012-0002 (GWDR), and 2) Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Existing Cow Dairies in the North Coast Region, Order R1-2012-0003 (Waiver). In December 2016, the Waiver was renewed by Order R1-2016-0045. These permits apply to existing dairies. New or expanding cow dairies since 2012 must apply for individual permits.

In 2017-18, the Regional Water Board staff began considering revisions to the Dairy Program. As part of the revision process, staff has held stakeholder meetings and a tribal consultation to solicit input on updating the Dairy Program. Permit development will continue into FY 2018-19 with a Board Workshop and Adoption Hearing anticipate in the fall/winter 2018.

Program activities include implementation of existing Dairy Program for Region 1 through permit compliance inspections (25/yrs. of ~130 dairies), review of annual reports and water quality data, education meetings annually for dairy operators, and meetings with dischargers and dairy representatives regarding regulation, project funding, enforcement, and general compliance.

#### **1.4 Restoration Program**

The Division also includes a dedicated Senior Environmental Scientist assigned as the office's "Restoration Specialist". The Restoration Specialist provides support across the office to implement the Regional Water Board's Policy in Support of Restoration in the North Coast Region -Order No. R1-2015-0001 (Restoration Policy). The Restoration Policy is primarily a narrative expressing support for restoration and similar type projects. The Policy describes in detail: (1) the importance of restoration projects for the protection, enhancement and recovery of beneficial uses, (2) the obstacles that slow or preclude restoration actions, (3) the legal and procedural requirements for permitting restoration projects, (4) the ongoing Regional Water Board effort to provide support towards the implementation of restoration projects, and (5) direction to staff to continue to support restoration in the future.

#### Other Restoration Program Activities

The Restoration Program includes a variety of additional special projects designed to increase the pace and scale of aquatic habitat enhancement, including the Mendocino County Permit Coordination Program, Wood for Salmon Work Group, and Grant Management and Technical Assistance. Staff manage two grants funded through the Timber Regulation and Forest Restoration Fund (TRFR), conduct reviews of new grant proposals, and provide technical assistance to the grant managers from the Adaptive Management Unit.

#### **1.5 Nonpoint Source Workplan**

The Nonpoint Source Workplan is primarily a planning effort to detail the North Coast Water Board's NPS pollution control activities. Division staff, in collaboration with other planning staff from the Adaptive Management Unit, work together to prioritize, track and report nonpoint source activities in the region as part of the State Water Board's Six-Year Nonpoint Source Workplan (2014-2020). Division staff are starting to develop the next Five-Year Nonpoint Source Workplan (2020-2025) in coordination with State Water Board and Environmental Protection Agency staff.

## 2.0 DIVISION RESOURCES

### 2.1 Staffing

There are three units that implement the Division’s program activities: 1) the Northern Nonpoint Source and Forestry Unit, 2) the Southern Nonpoint Source and Forestry Unit, and 3) the Nonpoint Source and 401 Certification Unit. The Division also supports the Region’s Restoration Specialist. The Administration Unit provides program support.

Table 1 provides a breakdown of staff resources.

**Table 1 – Division Staff, Includes Management and Support Staff**

<i>Position</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Division or Unit</i>	<i>PYs</i>
Division Chief	Jonathan Warmerdam	NPS and Surface Water Protection	1.0
Specialist	Vacant	NPS and Surface Water Protection	1.0
Senior	Dean Prat	Northern NPS and Forestry	1.0
Technical	6 Staff	Northern NPS and Forestry	6.0
Senior	Jim Burke	Southern NPS and Forestry	1.0
Technical	6 Staff	Southern NPS and Forestry	5.8
	1 Scientific Aid	Southern NPS and Forestry	1.0
Senior	Stephen Bargsten	NPS and 401 Certification	1.0
Technical	6 Staff	NPS and 401 Certification	6.0
		<b>Sub-total:</b>	<b>23.8</b>
Admin Support*	6 Staff	Administration	1.25
		<b>Total:</b>	<b>25.05</b>

\*1.25 PY of administrative support staff are included here to identify officewide analytical and administrative support but are not included below in Core Activities or Special Projects.



### 3.0 FOREST ACTIVITIES PROGRAM

#### 3.1 Core Activities and Projects by Priority

The primary responsibilities of program staff are categorized based on priority listed in Table 2. Most activities/projects are described in more detail in Section 3.2.

**Table 2 - FY 18/19 Program Core Activities and Projects by Priority**

Priority Level	Activity/Project	Category	Deadline (FY 18/19 unless noted otherwise)
1	a. Review/permit/enforcement of timber projects on private land and nonpoint source activities on USFS lands	Core	Ongoing
	b. Develop Green Diamond Resource Co. Elk River WDRs	Special	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter
	c. Revise Humboldt Redwood Co. WDRs for Elk River	Special	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter
	d. Develop Humboldt Redwood Co. WDR for Stitz Creek	Special	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter
	e. Governor's California Forest Management Task Force	Special	Ongoing
	f. Implementation of and reporting on AB1492 requirements	Core	Ongoing
	g. Revise/replace Timber Categorical Waiver	Core	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter
2	a. Review and participate in BOF rule making efforts	Core	Ongoing
	b. Engagement in Effectiveness Monitoring Committee	Core	Ongoing
	c. 5-County Roads Program and Rural Roads Initiative	Special	Ongoing
	d. Develop Working Forest Management Plan permit	Special	Ongoing <sup>1</sup>

Categories: Categories are marked as either **Core** or **Special**

#### 3.2 Core Activity and Project Descriptions

Activities and projects are listed below and identified by the priority (1, 2, 3, etc.) and the letter (a, b, c, etc.) listed in Table 2 above.

##### 1.a - Review/permit/enforcement of timber projects on private land and nonpoint source activities on USFS lands

**Summary:** Ongoing Core Activity. See description above under 1.1 Forest Activities Program.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** None

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** Total of 11.45

<sup>1</sup> Current litigation against the WFMP by Coast Action Group may delay or eliminate the need for development of a new permit.

### 1.b – Develop Green Diamond Resource Company Elk WDRs

**Summary:** Revise the Green Diamond Resource Company’s existing South Fork Elk River Management Plan and associated WDRs to be consistent with the Upper Elk River Sediment TMDL and State Board Resolution No. 2017-0046.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** Timber Company litigation.

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** Total of 0.25

Milestones	Target Date (by FY Quarter)
<i>Adoption hearing for Green Diamond Elk WDR</i>	<i>2018-19/Q3</i>

### 1.c – Revise Humboldt Redwood Company Elk River WDRs

**Summary:** Revise HRC Elk River WDRs to be consistent with the Upper Elk River Sediment TMDL and State Board Resolution No. 2017-0046.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** Petitions against existing WDRs, and timber company litigation.

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** Total of 0.25

Milestones	Target Date (by FY Quarter)
<i>Adoption hearing for revised HRC Elk WDR</i>	<i>2018-19/Q4</i>

### 1.d – Develop Humboldt Redwood Company WDR for Stitz Creek ownership

**Summary:** Develop new waste discharge requirements for HRC’s Stitz Creek ownership.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** None

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** Total of 0.25

Milestones	Target Date (by FY Quarter)
<i>Adoption hearing for HRC Stitz Creek WDR</i>	<i>2018-19/Q3</i>

### 1.e – Governor’s Forest Management Taskforce

**Summary:** Participate in the Governor’s Forest Management Taskforce and subgroup meetings. The task force was formed in 2018 to implement the Governor’s Executive Order on Forests and the recommendations of the California Forest Carbon Plan.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** None

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** Total of 0.25

### 1.f – Implementation of and reporting on AB1492 requirements

**Summary:** Core Activity. Participate in Effectiveness Monitoring Committee, AB 1492 leadership meetings, pilot-project study, and CalTrees permitting synchronizations. See description above under 1.1 Forest Activities Program.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** None

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** Total of 0.25

### 1.g– Revise/replace existing Timber Categorical Waiver

**Summary:** Revise/replace the existing Timber Categorical Waiver R1-2014-0011.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** Evaluation of possible revisions to incorporate additional post-fire salvage requirements or incorporation of such requirements into category-specific Waiver or updated general WDRs for private timber.

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** Total of 0.25

Milestones	Target Date (by FY Quarter)
<i>Adoption hearing for Timber Categorical Waiver</i>	<i>2018-19/Q4</i>

**2.a – Review and participate in Board of Forestry rule making efforts**

**Summary:** Core activity. See description above under 1.1 Forest Activities Program.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** None

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** Total of 0.25

**2.b – Engagement in Effectiveness Monitoring Committee**

**Summary:** Core activity. See description above under 1.1 Forest Activities Program.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** None

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** Total of 0.25

**2.c – 5-County Roads Program and Rural Roads Initiative**

**Summary:** Core activity. Staff oversees the implementation of the Five Counties Salmonid Conservation Program (5C Program) through recently adopted Order No. R1-2018-0011. The 5C Program provides an efficient and organized structure for preventing and mitigating water quality impacts from county and rural road maintenance activities, and also implements important fish passage and restoration projects in much of the North Coast Region. The Rural Roads Initiative is intended to provide information and incentivize proper management of private dirt roads.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** Continue to develop rural roads initiative.

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** Total of 0.5

**2.d – Develop Working Forest Management Plan permit**

**Summary:** Develop new waste discharge requirements for Working Forest Management Plans.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** Coast Action Group litigation against Board of Forestry regarding WFMP.

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** Total of 0.25

**3.3 Performance Targets**

**3.3.1 Reported to State Board via ORPP**

The Performance Target for the program that is reported to the State Water Board is based on the number of inspections conducted on private land timber harvesting projects and USFS nonpoint source activities. Table 3 shows our targets for FY 18/19 and how the metrics are reported.

**Table 3 – Performance Targets proposed for FY 18/19**

Fiscal Year	Target Inspections
2018-19	175

## 4.0 NONPOINT SOURCE AND 401 CERTIFICATION UNIT

### 4.1 Core Activities and Projects by Priority

The primary responsibilities of program staff are categorized based on priority listed in Table 4. Most activities/projects are described in more detail in Section 4.2.

**Table 4 – FY 18/19 Program Core Activities and Projects by Priority**

Priority Level	Activity/Project	Category	Deadline (FY 18/19 unless noted otherwise)
1	a. Review/Permit Dredge and Fill projects	Core	Ongoing
	b. Respond to complaints and conduct enforcements	Core	Ongoing
	c. Coordinate with State Board on program policies	Core	Ongoing
	d. Caltrans Liaison	Core	Ongoing
2	a. Vineyard and Fish Friendly Farming review/inspection	Core	Ongoing

Categories: Categories are marked as either **Core** or **Special**

### 4.2 Core Activity and Project Descriptions

Activities and projects are listed below and identified by the priority (1, 2, 3, etc.) and the letter (a, b, c, etc.) listed in Table 4 above.

#### 1.a – Review/Permit Dredge and Fill projects

**Summary:** Review and issue dredge and fill permits for impacts to waters of the state. See Section 1.2 Nonpoint Source and 401 Water Quality Certification Unit description for details.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** None

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** Total of 5.2

#### 1.b - Respond to complaints and conduct enforcements

**Summary:** Respond to complaints and conduct enforcement if necessary, both for projects permitted through the program and through public generated complaints for non-permitted projects.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** Resolve complaint and restore/mitigate impacts to waters of the state.

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** Total of 0.5

#### 1.c – Coordinate with State Board on program policies

**Summary:** Includes participation in development of policies, such as the Wetland Policy State Board is developing.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** None

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** Total of 0.25

#### 1.d – Caltrans Liaison

**Summary:** Under contract with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), the Nonpoint Source and 401 Certification Unit has one dedicated staff who functions as the Caltrans Liaison for the North Coast Water Board. The Liaison reviews all projects being conducted by

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Caltrans that have the potential to affect waters of the state, conducts field inspections during project implementation, and issues water quality certifications.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** None

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** Total of 1.0

#### **2.a – Vineyard and Fish Friendly Farming review/inspection**

**Summary:** Staff participate in the review of vineyard management activities, including the Fish Friendly Farming certification program for agricultural activities managed to restore fish and wildlife habitat and improve water quality. Includes inspection of vineyard issues, and conducting review of farm plans and vineyard inspections of enrollees in Fish Friendly Farming program.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** Provide comment and correction to farm plans and vineyard management.

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** Total of 0.25

### **4.3 Performance Targets**

#### **4.3.1 Reported to State Board**

The 401 program is not yet required to have official performance targets.

## 5.0 DAIRY PROGRAM

### 5.1 Core Activities and Projects by Priority

The primary responsibilities of program staff are categorized based on priority listed in Table 6. Dairy program activities are described in more detail in Section 5.2.

**Table 6 – FY 18/19 Program Core Activities and Projects by Priority**

Priority Level	Activity/Project	Category	Deadline (FY 18/19 unless noted otherwise)
1	a. Revise Dairy General WDR	Special	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter
	b. Dairy enrollments/un-enrollments	Core	On-going
	c. Dairy inspections (enrollment, compliance, complaint, enforcement, etc.)	Core	On-going
	d. Monitoring Program: maintenance and data analysis	Core	On-going
	e. Education and Outreach Workshops	Core	On-going

Categories: Categories are marked as either **Core** or **Special**

### 5.2 Core Activity and Project Descriptions

Activities and projects are summarized below and the letter (a, b, c, etc.) listed in Table 6 above.

#### 1.a – Revise Dairy Permit

**Summary:** Revise the existing dairy permits (Waiver and GWDR) into a single GWDR with updates and revisions.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** Update to have one permit for all dairies; allow new, expanding, and abandoned dairy startups; increase riparian protection; update monitoring requirements. Protect waters of the state, avoid/minimize impacts, mitigate for unavoidable impacts.

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** Total of 1.1 PY for all dairy activities

Milestones	Target Date (by FY Quarter)
<i>Workshop on draft GWDR</i>	<i>Q2</i>
<i>Adoption hearing for Dairy GWDR</i>	<i>Q4</i>

#### 1.b – Dairy enrollments/un-enrollments

**Summary:** Enroll and un-enroll dairies into the revised GWDR.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** Provide GWDR permit coverage for dairies.

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** 0.4 PY

#### 1.c – Dairy inspections (enrollment, compliance, complaint, enforcement, etc.)

**Summary:** Conduct inspections for enrollments, permit compliance, complaints, and enforcement.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** Assure protect waters of the state, avoid/minimize impacts, mitigate for unavoidable impacts.

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** 0.4 PY

#### 1.d – Monitoring Program: maintenance and data analysis

**Summary:** Implement existing Monitoring and Reporting Program requirements.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** Maintain Monitoring and Reporting Program to help assure permit compliance and protection of waters of the state, avoid/minimize impacts, mitigate for unavoidable impacts.

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** 0.2 PY

**1.f - Education and Outreach Workshops**

**Summary:** Maintain an education and outreach program for dairy program.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** Facilitate dairy operator’s ability to understand water quality protection measures they can implement to help protect water quality; stay up to date on the latest issues and protection measures.

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** 0.1 PY

Milestones	Target Date (by FY Quarter)
<i>Public workshop for Dairy Operators</i>	<i>2018-19/Q4</i>

**5.3 Performance Targets**

**5.3.1 Reported to State Board via ORPP**

The Performance Target for the program that is reported to the State Water Board is based on the number of dairy inspections conducted. Table 7 shows our targets for FY 18/19 and how the metrics are reported.

***Table 7 - Performance Targets proposed for FY 18/19***

Fiscal Year	Target Inspections
2018-19	25

## 6.0 RESTORATION PROGRAM

### 6.1 Core Activities and Projects by Priority

The primary responsibilities of program staff are categorized based on priority listed in Table 8. Restoration Program activities are described in more detail in Section 6.2.

**Table 8 – FY 18/19 Program Core Activities and Projects by Priority**

Priority Level	Activity/Project	Category	Deadline (FY 18/19 unless noted otherwise)
1	a. Implement Policy in Support of Restoration	Core	Ongoing
	b. Renew Mendocino County Permit Coordination Program Waiver and General 401 and implement the program	Core	Q3 and On-going
	c. Wood for Salmon Working Group	Core	On-going

Categories: Categories are marked as either **Core** or **Special**

### 6.2 Core Activity and Project Descriptions

Activities and projects are listed below and identified by the priority (1, 2, 3, etc.) and the letter (a, b, c, etc.) listed in Table 7 above.

#### 1.a – Implement Policy in Support of Restoration in the North Coast Region

**Summary:** The primary duty of the Restoration Specialist, with support from the Division Chief, is to implement the Policy in Support of Restoration in the North Coast Region.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** Support implementation of restoration activities designed to restore and recovery beneficial uses of waters of the state.

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** Total of 0.8

#### 1.b – Mendocino County Permit Coordination Programs

**Summary:** Staff oversee the ongoing implementation of the Mendocino County Resource Conservation District’s *Mendocino County Permit Coordination Program* (MCPCP). The MCPCP was designed to provide streamlined state and federal permitting and programmatic CEQA for specific conservation and restoration practices. Renew the General 401 and Waiver of WDRs for MCPCP.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** Seek public funding assistance to support further implementation of conservation and restoration projects through the MCPCP.

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** Total of 0.2

#### 1.c – Wood for Salmon Working Group and Grant Management and Technical Assistance

**Summary:** Staff continue to chair the Wood for Salmon Working Group (WFSWG), an ongoing collaboration between state and federal regulatory agencies, environmental non-profits, and stakeholders. The mission of the WFSWG is to promote recovery action described in state and federal salmonid recovery plans by accelerating the pace and scale of instream restoration projects, especially large wood enhancement.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** Develop incentives and remove barriers that inhibit the implementation of large wood restoration projects.

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** Total of 0.2



## 7.0 NONPOINT SOURCE WORKPLAN

### 7.1 Core Activities and Projects by Priority

The primary responsibilities of program staff are categorized based on priority listed in Table 9. Implementation of the Nonpoint Source Workplan activities is done with support from staff across the North Coast Water Board office, especially the Adaptive Management unit. Nonpoint Source activities are described in more detail in Section 7.2.

**Table 9 - FY 18/19 Program Core Activities and Projects by Priority**

Priority Level	Activity/Project	Category	Deadline (FY 18/19 unless noted otherwise)
1	a. Annual Workplan	Core	Ongoing
	b. Semi-Annual Progress Reports	Core	Ongoing
	c. Five-year Nonpoint Source Workplan	Core	Ongoing
	d. Develop Annual Report	Core	Ongoing

Categories: Categories are marked as either **Core** or **Special**

### 7.2 Core Activity and Project Descriptions

Activities and projects are listed below and identified by the priority (1, 2, 3, etc.) and the letter (a, b, c, etc.) listed in Table 7 above.

#### 1.a - Develop Annual Workplan

**Summary:** The Annual Workplan is developed each fiscal year and lays out how our region is using the 319h dollars that we received from the USEPA/State Board to fund staff work.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** None

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** Total of 0.025

Milestones	Target Date (by FY Quarter)
<i>Develop Annual Workplan</i>	<i>2018-19/Q4</i>

#### 1.b - Develop semi-annual progress reports (SAPRs)

**Summary:** SAPRs document staff progress towards accomplishing the goals in the Annual Workplan.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** Support implementation of restoration activities designed to restore and recovery beneficial uses of waters of the state.

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** Total of 0.025

Milestones	Target Date (by FY Quarter)
<i>Submit SAPR to State Water Board/EPA</i>	<i>2018-19/Q4</i>

#### 1.c - Develop Five-year NPS Workplan

**Summary:** The Five-year NPS Workplan is a planning effort to identify the North Coast Water Board's long-term initiatives to: address NPS pollution, develop new permitting programs, promote

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stakeholder outreach and education, implement restoration activities, and collaborate on watershed recovery actions.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** None

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** Total of 0.025

<b>Milestones</b>	<b>Target Date (by FY Quarter)</b>
<i>Start development of Five-year NPS Workplan</i>	<i>2018-19/Q1</i>

**1.d - Develop Annual Report**

**Summary:** The Annual Report identifies our NPS accomplishments over the previous year and is reported to EPA.

**Key Issues to Resolve:** Support implementation of restoration activities designed to restore and recovery beneficial uses of waters of the state.

**PY Allocation for FY 18/19:** Total of 0.025

<b>Milestones</b>	<b>Target Date (by FY Quarter)</b>
<i>Develop Annual Report</i>	<i>2018-19/Q1</i>