

California Regional Water Quality Control Board  
San Francisco Bay Region  
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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PUBLIC HEARING  
FOR  
REISSUANCE OF DISCHARGE PERMIT  
for  
California Department of Transportation Devil's Slide Tunnel Project  
State Route 1, Post Miles 38.0 – 40.4  
San Mateo County**

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has filed an application for reissuance of its permit under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System. The San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board's (Regional Water Board's) staff has prepared a tentative permit for Caltrans, containing limitations and provisions in accordance with the Federal Clean Water Act and the California Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act.

The Caltrans is constructing two tunnels through the mountains between the cities of Pacifica and Montara to bypass the geologically unstable stretch of State Route 1 known as Devil's Slide. Operations during the construction and post-construction phases of the project will require the capture and treatment of no more than 0.5 million gallons per day of groundwater and discharge into the Pacific Ocean.

The Regional Water Board intends to consider adopting the tentative permit during a meeting to commence at the time and location as follows:

Time and Date: 9:00 a.m., September 14, 2011  
Location: Auditorium, Elihu Harris State Building  
1515 Clay Street, Oakland

**The deadline for comment is 5:00 p.m. on August 1, 2011.** Comments must be sent to the attention of **Brendan Thompson**. Persons wishing to file written comments on, or objections to, the tentative permit or other aspects of this matter must do so no later than this deadline so that such comments may be considered. No written comments will be accepted or responded to in writing if received after this deadline.

Interested persons are invited to attend and express their views at the public hearing on this matter. The Regional Water Board will hear oral testimony, but will not accept written comments after the deadline noted above.

Pursuant to section 2050(c) of Title 23 of the California Code of Regulations, any party that challenges the Regional Water Board's action on this matter through a petition to the State Water Resources Control Board under Water Code section 13320 will be limited to raising only those substantive issues or objections that were raised before the Regional Water Board at the public hearing or in timely submitted written correspondence delivered to the Regional Water Board.

The application, tentative permit, fact sheet, comments received, and related documents may be inspected and copied at the Regional Water Board office. The tentative permit, fact sheet, and any additional information and developments on this matter are also available at [www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay). A response to comments will be posted on that website one week prior to the hearing. Contact Brendan Thompson at (510) 622-2506 or by e-mail at [BThompson@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:BThompson@waterboards.ca.gov) if you have any questions on this matter.