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Avila Beach CSD	Avila WWTP	941586	Deficient Monitoring	NPDES	30-Nov-12	The outfall inspection and benthic monitoring was due before December 2012.	Aquatic Bioassay Consultants was contacted in August 2012 to perform the inspection and monitoring. Ocean conditions did not permit the divers to conduct the work. The inspection and monitoring took place December 5th, 2012.	Permitting staff recommends no further action at this time. Enforcement Ranking Class 3 for negligent or inadvertent failure to comply with monitoring requirements.		San Luis Obispo
CA Dept of Corrections	Correctional Training Facility CS	939118	Water Quality - Sanitary Sewer Overflow Spill	WDR	7-Nov-12	Lift station pump failure caused 50.0 gallons of sewage to spill from manhole cover in front of lift station at Correctional Training Facility to street/curb and gutter; drain catch basin trap. No surface water body affected.	Restored flow to sewage lift station down stream.	Permitting staff recommends no further action at this time. Enforcement Ranking Class 3 for unauthorized discharge posing low threat to water quality.		Monterey
Ca Dept of Corrections San Luis Obispo	California Men's Colony WWTP	940562	Water Quality - Receiving Water - Surface Water	NPDES	6-Nov-12	R3 receiving water (100 ft downstream of effluent discharge) sodium result was 79.0 mg/l and limit is 50 mg/l.	CMC is upgrading to UV disinfection, which should reduce pollutant loading.	Permitting staff recommends no further action at this time. Enforcement Ranking Class 2 for moderate threat to water quality.		San Luis Obispo
Ca Dept of Corrections San Luis Obispo	California Men's Colony WWTP	940563	Water Quality - Receiving Water - Surface Water	NPDES	6-Nov-12	R4 receiving water (0.6 miles downstream of effluent discharge) sodium result was 77.2 mg/l. Limit is 50 mg/l	Same as above.	Same as above.		San Luis Obispo

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Ca Dept of Corrections San Luis Obispo	California Men's Colony WWTP	940564	Water Quality - Receiving Water - Surface Water	NPDES	6-Nov-12	R4 receiving water (0.6 miles downstream of effluent discharge) chloride result was 100.0 mg/l. Limit is 50 mg/L	Same as above.	Same as above.		San Luis Obispo
Ca Dept of Corrections San Luis Obispo	California Men's Colony WWTP	940565	Water Quality - Receiving Water - Surface Water	NPDES	6-Nov-12	R3 receiving water (100 ft downstream of effluent discharge) chloride result was 95.2 mg/l. Limit is 50 mg/L	Same as above.	Same as above.		San Luis Obispo
Carpinteria SD	Carpinteria SD CS	939988	Water Quality - Sanitary Sewer Overflow Spill	WDR	26-Nov-12	Root intrusion caused 15 gallons of sewage to spill from property line cleanout at 833 Arbol Verde to street/curb and gutter; unpaved surface at edge of driveway to curb on street. No surface water body affected.	City staff cleaned-up mitigated effects of spill. The lateral was not spilling when staff arrived on scene and was cleaned and video-inspected. Staff took pictures and cleaned the area with water, and all cleaning water was vacuumed up.	Permitting staff recommends no further action at this time. Enforcement Ranking Class 3 for unauthorized discharge posing low threat to water quality.		Santa Barbara
Cayucos CS	Cayucos CS	939680	Water Quality - Sanitary Sewer Overflow Spill	WDR	24-Nov-12	Root intrusion caused 70 gallons of sewage to spill from clean out at Kentucky Easement to unpaved surface. No surface water body affected.	Cleaned-up mitigated effects of spill; inspected sewer using CCTV to determine cause; restored flow.	The discharger adequately responded to the spill, by containing and cleaning up the spill. Permitting staff recommends no further action at this time. Enforcement Ranking Class 3 for unauthorized discharge posing low threat to water quality.		San Luis Obispo

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Greenfield, City of	Greenfield, City Of CS	939647	Water Quality - Sanitary Sewer Overflow Spill	WDR	18-Nov-12	Pump station failure caused 750 gallons of sewage to spill from manhole at 341 St. Christopher to separate storm drain. No surface water body affected.	Cleaned-up mitigated effects of spill. Wet well transducer failed. Discharger installed new transducer.	Permitting staff recommends no further action at this time. Enforcement Ranking Class 3 for unauthorized discharge posing low threat to water quality.		Monterey
Lucas and Lewellen Vineyards, Inc.	Lucas and Lewellen Vineyards Winery	939465	Unauthorized Discharge	UNREGS	9-Nov-12	Santa Barbara County and DFG staff reported winery waste discharges to storm drain and Zaca Creek in fall 2012. Facility not authorized to discharge waste to waters of the state or U.S. Information provided indicates other agencies previously notified discharger about waste discharge and requirement to stop.	Discharger required to report corrective actions no later than November 30, 2012.	Water Board enforcement staff issued NOV on 11/16/2012 demanding cessation of waste discharges, requiring a technical report of corrective actions, and informing discharger of potential further enforcement action. Staff reviewing record and considering recommendation for further action. Enforcement Ranking Class 1 for unauthorized discharges that pose a significant threat to water quality, chronic nature of discharge, and potential recalcitrance due to prior knowledge of discharge and direction to stop.	Notice of Violation	Santa Barbara

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Marina Coast WD	Marina Coast WD CS	939014	Water Quality - Sanitary Sewer Overflow Spill	WDR	2-Nov-12	Root intrusion caused 100 gallons of sewage to spill from gravity sewer manhole at 158 Okinawa Rd. to separate storm drain; street/curb and gutter; all spill was vacuumed from storm catch basin and returned to sewer. No surface water body affected.	Cleaned-up mitigated effects of spill; contained all or portion of spill; inspected sewer using CCTV to determine cause; restored flow; returned all or portion of spill to sanitary sewer system.	Permitting staff recommends no further action at this time. Enforcement Ranking Class 3 for unauthorized discharge posing low threat to water quality.		Monterey
Mission Hills CSD	Mission Hills La Purisima WWTP	941538	Water Quality - Effluent - CAT1	WDR	30-Nov-12	Chloride 30-Day Average limit is 140.0 mg/L and reported value was 245.0 mg/L.	The discharger is currently trying to address elevated salts in the influent by eliminating automatic regenerating water softeners. Water Board staff adopted (May 2012) a resolution to support the district and its efforts to eliminate these discharges.	Permitting staff recommends no further action. Enforcement Ranking Class 2 for cumulative threat to water quality. The Discharger explains that the influent salts are causing elevated concentrations of the pollutant in the effluent, which the current treatment facility is not designed to remove.		Santa Barbara
Mission Hills CSD	Mission Hills La Purisima WWTP	941539	Water Quality - Effluent - CAT1	WDR	30-Nov-12	Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) 30-Day Average limit is 800.0 mg/L and reported value was 825.0 mg/L.	Same as above.	Same as above.		Santa Barbara

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Monterey Cnty	Schulte Road Bridge	S850056	SW - Deficient BMP Implementation	CONSTW	29-Nov-12	Construction occurred within jurisdictional areas beyond the time period allowed in the 401 Water Quality Certification	Monterey County reports they have amended their procedures and practices to prevent similar circumstances in the future.	Stormwater staff recommends no further action at this time. Enforcement Ranking Class 2 for violations of compliance schedule.		Monterey
Paso Robles City	Paso Robles WWTP	940602	Water Quality - Effluent - CAT1	NPDES	8-Nov-12	Sodium, Total Monthly Average (Mean) limit is 255 mg/L and reported value was 273 mg/L.	Influent sodium concentrations have been high over recent months. City has been unable to determine the source of the high concentrations thus far. Several industrial users have been inspected and no problems have been found. Permitting staff recommends City continue to investigate source of sodium loading.	Enforcement Ranking Class 2 for moderate or cumulative threat to water quality and potential to cause detrimental impact to human health and the environment. Potentially subject to MMP as non-serious violation.		San Luis Obispo

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Salinas City	Salinas Industrial Wastewater CS	940442	Water Quality - Sanitary Sewer Overflow Spill	WDR	6-Nov-12	Pipe structural failure; air pressure relief valve on industrial waste force main periodically spraying small amount of water with the air release discharge. Caused 15 gallons of sewage to spill from force main or pressure sewer at 887 Vertin Ave to paved surface. Spill contained on the asphalt surface of the adjacent grounds, and was drying on the surface. City staff washed down affected surfaces and recovered all wash water to a hydro/vac truck. Spill not from domestic sewage, but was process wash water from vegetable packing process and cooling facilities. No surface water body affected.	Cleaned-up mitigated effects of spill; contained all or portion of spill; returned all or portion of spill to sanitary sewer system. The pressure relief valve was temporarily repaired while awaiting a replacement of the pressure relief valve.	Permitting staff recommend no further action at this time. Enforcement Ranking Class 3 for unauthorized discharge posing low threat to water quality.		Monterey

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San Juan Bautista, City of	San Juan Bautista WWTP	942453	Water Quality - Effluent - CAT1	NPDES	30-Nov-12	Chloride 30-Day Average limit is 200 mg/L and reported value was 305 mg/L.	City is installing a water softening system to reduce the hardness of all of its well water. The underground work and grading have been completed to date, and all the equipment has been purchased and is built ready to be installed. Funding to complete the construction is currently not available. The best current estimate is that the water softening system will be operational by the end of 2013. The softener is projected to reduce effluent chloride to below 160 mg/L.	Permitting staff recommends no further action at this time. Enforcement Ranking Class 2 for moderate or cumulative threat to water quality and potential to cause detrimental impact to human health and the environment. Subject to MMP as serious violation.		San Benito
San Luis Obispo City	San Luis Obispo CS	939075	Water Quality - Sanitary Sewer Overflow Spill	WDR	2-Nov-12	Root intrusion; sewer main was lined in 1996. Roots grew between liner and manhole invert. caused 3300.0 gallons of sewage to spill from manhole at Fairview to unpaved surface. No surface water body affected.	Disinfected area with bleach.	Staff does not recommend any further action at this time. Enforcement Ranking Class 3 for unauthorized discharge posing low threat to water quality.		San Luis Obispo

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San Luis Obispo City	San Luis Obispo WWTP	940972	Water Quality - Effluent - CAT2	NPDES	21-Nov-12	Chlorine, Total Residual Daily Maximum limit is 0.1 mg/L and reported value was 0.24 mg/L.	This violation was associated with increasing chlorine dosages to the contact channels in an effort to increase disinfection rates. Corrective actions included increasing the bisulfite dechlorination and decreasing chlorine dosing set point.	Violation lasted 40 minutes. Samples were taken at 1:26 pm with a chlorine residual of 0.15 mg/L, 0.17 mg/L at 1:36, and 0.19 mg/L at 1:45, and the violation ended with a <0.1 mg/L of chlorine at 2:06 pm. Enforcement Ranking Class 2 for moderate or cumulative threat to water quality and potential to cause detrimental impact to human health and the environment. Subject to MMP as serious violation.		San Luis Obispo

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Santa Barbara City PWD	El Estero CS	939406	Water Quality - Sanitary Sewer Overflow Spill	WDR	9-Nov-12	Root intrusion caused 25 gallons of sewage to spill from manhole at 1225 N. Salsipuedes Street to another paved surface, a separate storm drain and street/curb and gutter. Approximately 25 gallons total volume overflowed and approximately 3 gallons came in contact with storm drain inlet. All overflow recovered and no surface water body affected.	Cleaned-up (mitigated effects of spill), contained all or portion of spill, and inspected sewer using Closed Circuit TV to determine cause. Restored flow and returned all or portion of spill to sanitary sewer system. City staff responded and initiated control, containment and recovery procedures, temporary sandbagged dam within storm drain inlet, flushed street and vacuum recovered all overflow and washdown water.	Permitting staff recommends no further action at this time. Enforcement Ranking Class 3 for unauthorized discharge posing low threat to water quality.		Santa Barbara
Santa Barbara City PWD	El Estero CS	939409	Water Quality - Sanitary Sewer Overflow Spill	WDR	10-Nov-12	Finishing trowel, screwdriver and small piece of sewer drainage pipe wedged in main and allowed buildup of paper which caused blockage and 50 gallons of sewage to spill from manhole at 462 Conejo Road to other paved surface; a separate storm drain and street/curb and gutter. No surface water body affected.	Same as above.	Same as above.		Santa Barbara

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Santa Cruz County Housing Authority	Buena Vista Migrant Labor Camp	942039	Water Quality - Effluent - CAT1	WDR	30-Nov-12	Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) 12-Month Average limit is 610.0 mg/L and reported value was 657.0 mg/L.	Discharger did not report specific corrective actions	High TDS has been a chronic issue since at least 2007. Water Board staff will issue an NOV. Enforcement Ranking Class 2 for cumulative threat to water quality.		Santa Cruz
Santa Maria City	City of Santa Maria CS	939013	Water Quality - Sanitary Sewer Overflow Spill	WDR	1-Nov-12	General debris caused 100.0 gallons of sewage to spill from gravity sewer; manhole at Cook/ Orange Basin to street/curb and gutter. No surface water body affected.	Cleaned-up mitigated effects of spill; contained all or portion of spill; returned all or portion of spill to sanitary sewer system.	Permitting staff recommends no further action at this time. Enforcement Ranking Class 3 for unauthorized discharge posing low threat to water quality.		Santa Barbara
Seaside Co SD	Seaside Co SD CS	939245	Water Quality - Sanitary Sewer Overflow Spill	WDR	4-Nov-12	Roots and grease caused 300.0 gallons of sewage to spill from building or structure; gravity sewer at 1289 Hamilton Ave to building or structure; inside residence. No surface water body affected.	Cleaned-up mitigated effects of spill; contained all or portion of spill; inspected sewer using CCTV to determine cause; restored flow; returned all or portion of spill to sanitary sewer system.	Permitting staff recommends no further action at this time. Enforcement Ranking Class 3 for unauthorized discharge posing low threat to water quality.		Monterey
Seaside Co SD	Seaside Co SD CS	940443	Water Quality - Sanitary Sewer Overflow Spill	WDR	28-Nov-12	Root intrusion caused 200 gallons of sewage to spill from gravity sewer; manhole at Solis Park to unpaved surface; No surface water body affected.	Cleaned-up mitigated effects of spill; contained all or portion of spill; restored flow; returned all or portion of spill to sanitary sewer system.	Same as above.		Monterey

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Solvang City	Solvang WWTP	941002	Water Quality - Effluent - CAT1	WDR	30-Nov-12	Sodium, Total 30-Day Average limit is 150.0 mg/L and reported value was 156.7 mg/L.	The discharger is currently trying to address elevated salts in the influent by eliminating automatic regenerating water softeners.	Permitting staff does not recommend further enforcement action at this time. Enforcement Ranking Class 2 for cumulative threat to water quality. The Discharger explains that the influent salts are causing elevated concentrations of the pollutant in the effluent, which the current treatment facility is not designed to remove.		Santa Barbara
Solvang City	Solvang WWTP	941003	Water Quality - Effluent - CAT1	WDR	30-Nov-12	Chloride 30-Day Average limit is 150.0 mg/L and reported value was 180.0 mg/L.	Same as above.	Same as above.		Santa Barbara
South County Regional Waste Water Authority	South County Regional Waste Water Authority	939200	Water Quality - Sanitary Sewer Overflow Spill	WDR	7-Nov-12	Grease deposition (FOG) caused 20.0 gallons of sewage to spill from building or structure at 335 Longview to building or structure. No surface water body affected.	Cleaned-up mitigated effects of spill; contained all or portion of spill; restored flow; returned all or portion of spill to sanitary sewer system. Scheduled CCTV crew to video line.	Permitting staff recommends no further action at this time. Enforcement Ranking Class 3 for unauthorized discharge posing low threat to water quality.		Santa Clara
Templeton CSD	Meadowbrook CS	939675	Water Quality - Sanitary Sewer Overflow Spill	WDR	23-Nov-12	Root intrusion caused 25 gallons of sewage to spill from gravity sewer; manhole at manhole 8-142 to unpaved surface. No surface water body affected.	Cleaned-up mitigated effects of spill; contained all or portion of spill; inspected sewer using CCTV to determine cause; restored flow.	Staff recommends no further action at this time. Enforcement Ranking Class 3 for unauthorized discharge posing low threat to water quality.		San Luis Obispo

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U.S. Penitentiary	Lompoc Penitentiary Waste Water Facility	940787 and others	Water Quality - Effluent - OEV	WDR	1-Nov-12 thru 30-Nov-12	[30 violations] pH Daily Maximum limit is 8.4 SU and reported values for month ranged from 8.8 SU to 9.6 SU.	The Discharger continues to address pH (algae growth) through manual removal. Some additives have been effective, but have not been consistent.	Water Board staff recommends no further action at this time. Enforcement Ranking Class 3 for minor threat to water quality. The discharger has struggled with pH exceedances due to algae growth. However, the discharger disposes of treated wastewater through spray irrigation and has little to no impacts to groundwater.		Santa Barbara

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Ventana Inn, Inc.	Ventana Inn Resort - Big Sur	940225	Unauthorized Discharge	WDR	26-Nov-12	Discharger detected seepage of wastewater along the edge of the Coast Ridge Road downslope from the newly installed Mule Ridge subsurface disposal area, which occurred from 11/26/2012 through 11/29/2012. Prohibition A.2 of Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R3-2002-0032 prohibits the discharge of any wastes, including overflow, bypass, and seepage, from the transport, treatment, or disposal systems to Post Creek, adjacent drainageways, and adjacent properties.	Discharger observed seepage, collected samples, then stopped discharging wastewater to the subsurface disposal area after the sample analysis indicated the disposal area was the source of the seepage. On 12/3/12, Discharger submitted written report documenting the release, actions taken and proposed to investigate the cause of the release and prevent additional releases.	Water Board staff issued NOV on or around 12/4/2012. Enforcement Ranking Class 2 for negligent or inadvertent noncompliance with water quality regulations that has the potential for causing or allowing the continuation of an unauthorized discharge. Permitting staff concur with the discharger's proposed corrective actions and recommends no further action at this time.	Notice of Violation	Monterey

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Ventana Inn, Inc.	Ventana Inn Resort - Big Sur	940231	Reporting - Failure to Notify	WDR	27-Nov-12	Discharger observed seepage downgradient of subsurface disposal area on 11/26/12, but did not report it to Water Board or Mont Co EHS staff immediately within 24 hours. Order Provision G.11 and Paragraph F.1 of the MRP and paragraph C.1 of the Standard Provisions require verbal reporting within 24 hours of observing non-compliance potentially endangering public health or the environment.	Discharger contacted Water Board staff 3 days after observing the seepage and suspecting the subsurface disposal area was the source of the seepage.	Water Board staff issued NOV on or around 12/4/2012. Enforcement Ranking Class 2 for negligent or inadvertent failure to substantially comply with monitoring and reporting requirements. Permitting staff recommends no further action at this time.	Notice of Violation	Monterey
Woodlands Mutual Water Co	Woodlands Mutual Water Co	941543	Water Quality - Effluent - OEV	WDR	21-Nov-12	pH Daily Maximum limit is 8.4 SU and reported value was 8.6 SU.	The operator has been reducing the chlorine in the contact chamber to try and control the pH. Operations Staff is considering putting in a pump for citric acid to lower the pH.	Enforcement Ranking Class 3 for minor threat to water quality. The plant has struggled in the past with meeting the pH limit of 8.4 The incoming water is usually between 7.5 and 8.0.		San Luis Obispo

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Woodlands Mutual Water Co	Woodlands Mutual Water Co	941540	Water Quality - Effluent - CAT1	WDR	30-Nov-12	Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) Daily Maximum limit is 710.0 mg/L and reported value was 1160.0 mg/L.	Corrective action consists of awaiting increased residential flows to dilute influent TDS concentrations.	Permitting staff recommends no further action at this time. Total dissolved solids consistently exceeded limit for month of November. Enforcement Ranking Class 2 for cumulative threat to water quality. Currently, the plant does not have the capability to remove TDS in the wastewater stream.		San Luis Obispo