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City of Pacifica Supplemental Environmental Project List

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Listed below is a suggestion for an SEP. We understand that based upon the Water Boards enforcement policy criteria that SEP's should be an extension of the City's commitment to improving the quality of the waters of the State, benefit the public at large, and that any SEP should represent a program that is far above what is required of the City in its NPDES permit. We believe that this will accomplish that goal. We have visited the Board's web site to view suggested SEP's within the San Mateo and the regional bay area. Limited programs are available within are specific region and therefore we proposed the following;

Title: Private Sewer Lateral Program

Purpose: To help eliminate the potential for SSO's and infiltration/exfiltration by assisting residents of private buildings improve and replace sewer lines.

Description: Many SSO's reported in the past years have been traced to poor lateral maintenance and repair by residents. Materials are pushed into the wye at the main resulting in a backup through the sidewalk clean out and into the street. Studies show that 60 to 70 percent of the infiltration/exfiltration rates result from leaking private house laterals. Pacifica has approximately 3,000 Orangeburg pipe laterals which have exceeded their life expectancy.

The cost to repair laterals is expensive and many residents opt to pay for regular cleaning for roots and poor conditions rather than replace lines that have opened to root intrusion and alignment problems. This program would provide up to 50% of the cost to replace the lateral up to \$2,000 per connection. We believe this would encourage residents to replace these lines. The City will carry out the pre-inspections and provide contractor information to the homeowners to replace the defective sewer laterals. The referred contractors will have a pre-bid set price negotiated with the City. We believe that having contractors pre-bid these repairs at such a quantity that we will be able to get a much better price for our residents. The property owners will have the option to use the winning bid contractor or one of their choice as long as they can meet the pre-bid pricing.

Cost: Matching funds of 50% to residents until the \$170,000* is expended. At an estimated \$4,000 per connection it is anticipated that this program would impact approximately 80 to 85 of the oldest homes within the City. We estimate that it would take two years to complete this program.

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