



**Proposed Water Board Permit Fee Increases  
& State Integrated Waste Management Fee**

**State Water Resources Control Board  
Water Quality Fee Stakeholder  
Meeting Summary of  
March 1, 2010**

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# Authority

- Water Code Section 13260 requires all persons discharging waste to pay annual fees which are to be deposited in the Waste Discharge Permit Fund (WDPF).
- Requires State Water Board to adjust the fees annually. Current annual fees were adopted on October 6, 2009.

# Authority

- Section 48000 states that each operator of a disposal facility pay a fee to the Board of Equalization (BOE).
- The current fee is \$1.34/ton.
- The revenue from these fees are deposited into the Integrated Waste Management Account (IWMA).

# Authority

- Water Code Section 48004 states that all persons who are required to pay the SW disposal fee (IWMA) imposed shall not be required to pay into the Waste Discharge Permit Fund (WDPF).
- If the fee established by Section 48000 does not generate revenues sufficient to fund the programs, those reductions shall be equally and proportionally distributed between funding solid waste programs of the State Water Board and Regional Water Boards.

**State Water Resources Control Board  
WDPF Revenue and Expenditures  
FY 2009-10 (\$000)**

<b>FY 2009-10 (Current Year Forecast)</b>			
<b>Program</b>	<b>Revenue</b>	<b>Budgeted Expenditures</b>	<b>Over/(Under)</b>
NPDES	\$15,344	\$16,848	(\$1,504)
WDR	\$17,182	\$15,901	\$1,281
Land Disposal	\$6,340	\$6,456	(\$116)
Stormwater	\$19,654	\$19,219	\$435
401 Cert	\$2,232	\$3,228	(\$996)
CAF	\$2,829	\$2,550	\$278
SWAMP	\$7,457	\$8,927	(\$1,469)
GAMA	\$2,434	\$2,663	(\$228)
Ag Waivers	\$667	\$394	\$272
Fee Revenue	\$74,139	\$76,186	(\$2,047)
Other <sup>1</sup>	\$602	\$314	\$288
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$74,741</b>	<b>\$76,500</b>	<b>(\$1,759)</b>

**Footnotes:**

<sup>1</sup> Other Revenue includes income from surplus money investments and escheat of unclaimed checks and Other Budgeted Expenditures includes various state operations chargers for other agencies.

**State Water Resources Control Board  
WDPF Projected Revenue and Expenditures  
FY 2010-11 (\$000)**

Program	Base Revenue	Projected Revenue Increase	New Revenue	Projected Total Revenue	Total Expenditures	Over/(Under)
NPDES	\$17,287	9.3%	\$1,609	\$18,896	\$18,896	\$0
WDR	\$17,182	0.0%	\$0	\$17,182	\$17,104	\$78
Land Disposal - Closed	\$6,340	0.0%	\$0	\$6,340	\$6,340	\$0
Land Disposal - Open <sup>1</sup>	n/a	n/a	\$2,370	\$2,370	\$2,370	\$0
Stormwater	\$18,790	13.0%	\$2,446	\$21,235	\$21,236	\$0
401 Cert	\$1,964	74.2%	\$1,457	\$3,421	\$3,421	\$0
CAF	\$2,829	0.0%	\$0	\$2,829	\$2,759	\$70
SWAMP <sup>2</sup>	\$7,457	0.6%	\$47	\$7,504	\$7,349	\$154
GAMA <sup>3,4</sup>	\$2,434	1.1%	\$27	\$2,461	\$2,411	\$50
Ag Waivers	\$667	229.3%	\$1,529	\$2,195	\$2,195	\$0
Subtotal	\$74,949	12.7%	\$9,483	\$84,433	\$84,080	\$352
Other <sup>5</sup>	\$602	0.0%	\$0	\$602	\$410	\$192
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$75,551</b>	<b>12.6%</b>	<b>\$9,483</b>	<b>\$85,035</b>	<b>\$84,490</b>	<b>\$544</b>

Based on the existing fee schedule

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# Fee Increases

## NPDES

- The projected revenue is \$17.3 million and anticipated budgeted expenditures are \$18.9 million. \$1.6 million is needed to meet anticipated expenditures.
- The NPDES workgroup have been meeting monthly to discuss methods for assessing their fees.

# Fee Increases

## Land Disposal – Open Sites

- Declining revenue in the IWMA.
- Short falls are projected at \$2.4 million.
- The State Water Board anticipates using the existing Land Disposal fee schedule, discounted by 15% to assess fees at the appropriate revenue level.
- Possible Conflict with Water Code Section 48004.

# Fee Increases

## Storm Water

- The projected revenue is \$18.8 million and the anticipated budgeted expenditures are \$21.2 million.
- \$2.4 million is needed to meet budgeted expenditures. State Water Board anticipates raising Storm Water fees 13% to support the budget.

# Fee Increases

## 401 Certification

- The projected revenue is \$1.9 million and budgeted expenditures are \$3.4 million.
- \$1.5 million is needed to meet budgeted expenditures. The State Water Board is currently evaluating different options for raising fees.

# Fee Increases

## Agricultural Waivers

- The projected revenue is \$667,000 and anticipated budgeted expenditures are \$2.2 million.
- \$1.5 million is needed to meet the anticipated expenditures.
- State Water Board anticipates increasing 12 cents/acre charge to approximately 42 cents/acre to meet budgeted expenditures.

# Fee Decreases

- **SWAMP:** State Water Board anticipates reducing the surcharge rate of 21% to 19.5% for FY10-11.
- **GAMA:** State Water Board anticipates reducing the surcharge rate of 9.5% to 7.7% for FY10-11.

# No Fee Adjustments

- Waste Discharge Requirement
- Land Disposal – Closed
- Confined Animal Facilities (CAF)

# Conclusion

- Overall, the State Water Board expects to raise fees by \$9.5 million to cover budgeted expenditures.
- Based on the meeting summary, the fee increase discussions are still preliminary.
- The next meeting has not yet been set.
- Staff will continue to monitor this issue and will provide updates as directed by your Task Force.



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Questions?