



EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT

DATE: August 21, 2025

MEMO TO: Board of Directors

THROUGH: Clifford C. Chan, General Manager 

FROM: David A. Briggs, Director of Operations and Maintenance 

SUBJECT: Follow-up on Regulatory Compliance

SUMMARY

In response to a request from the Planning Committee at its August 12, 2025 meeting, this memorandum provides additional information on the facilities where the District is pursuing Green Business certification and past regulatory violations at the Oakport Wet Weather Facility (WWF).

DISCUSSION

The California Green Business Program is a network of local programs operated by counties and cities throughout the state. The District has participated in the program since 2007. There are currently twelve District facilities that have been certified after implementing practices to reduce waste, save water, conserve energy, and protect the environment. Certifications are renewed every four years. The list of certified facilities includes:

- Adeline Maintenance Center Administration Building (Oakland)
- Adeline Maintenance Center Fleet (Oakland)
- Adeline Maintenance Center Print Shop (Oakland)
- Castenada Service Center (San Ramon)
- East Area Service Center (Walnut Creek)
- Lafayette Recreation Area Visitor Center (Lafayette)
- Lafayette Water Treatment Plant (Lafayette)
- Main Administration Building (Oakland)
- Materials Testing Laboratory (Oakland)
- North Area Service Center (Richmond)
- Sobrante Water Treatment Plant (El Sobrante)
- Walnut Creek Water Treatment Plant (Walnut Creek)

Staff is currently pursuing certifications for the South Area Service Center (San Lorenzo), the Upper San Leandro Water Treatment Plant (Oakland), and the Mokelumne Headquarters (Valley Springs). Certification can take several months depending on necessary capital upgrades.

National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit requirements at the Oakport WWF are supplemented by the 2014 Consent Decree (Consolidated Case Nos. C 09-00186-RS and C 09-05684-RS). Collectively, these are the primary regulatory permits for this facility. The last ten years of NPDES compliance history for the facility is summarized below.

Oakport WWF Compliance History 2016-2025

Incident Date	Description	Fine	Notes
January 16, 2016	Chlorine residual effluent limit violation	\$10,000	Sodium bisulfite solution (SBS) valve did not open at start of discharge
December 10, 2016	Chlorine residual effluent limit violation	\$10,000	SBS valve was closed at start of discharge
December 10, 2016	Sanitary sewer overflow (SSO)	\$25,000	SSO occurred at collection system overflow structures when the facility influent gates were not open
February 4, 2025	Total coliform effluent limit violation	Pending	SBS flow restricted by faulty check valve during discharge
April 15, 2025	Unauthorized discharge	Pending	Effluent gate leak during dry weather testing
June 12, 2025	Unauthorized discharge	Pending	Effluent gate leak during dry weather testing

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