

Contaminants of Emerging Concern in San Francisco Bay Update

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Tiered risk-based framework



High Concern

moderate or high impact

Bay levels above observed effects thresholds

Moderate Concern

low impact

Bay levels above protective thresholds

Low Concern

limited impact

Bay levels below protective thresholds

Possible Concern

uncertainty as to impact

Uncertainty
Insufficient data



CECs in San Francisco Bay

High Concern

moderate or high impact

None currently

Moderate Concern

low impact

PFAS

Alkylphenols, Alkylphenol Ethoxylates Fipronil, Imidacloprid, Bisphenols Organophosphate Esters, Microplastics

Low Concern

limited impact

PBDEs and HBCD

Pharmaceuticals, Pyrethroids*
Personal Care & Cleaning
PBDDs / PBDFs

Possible Concern

uncertainty as to impact

Alternative Flame Retardants

Pesticides, Plastic Additives

Quaternary Ammonium Compounds

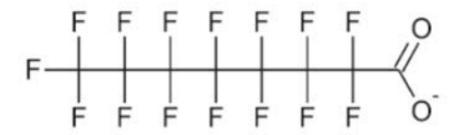
Siloxanes, SDPAs, UV-BZTs

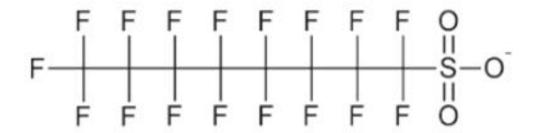


Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS)

Moderate Concern

low impact



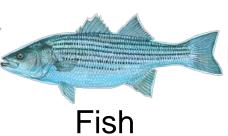




PFAS in Bay













Mammals



PFAS Management

Bans/restrictions on PFAS in certain products



- Avoid use of PFAS containing products
 - Resources: Green Science Policy Institute,
 City of San Francisco
- Legislation requiring PFAS Disclosure (AB 2247)

Plastic Ingredients: Organophosphate Esters (OPEs) and Bisphenols

Moderate Concern

low impact

OPEs



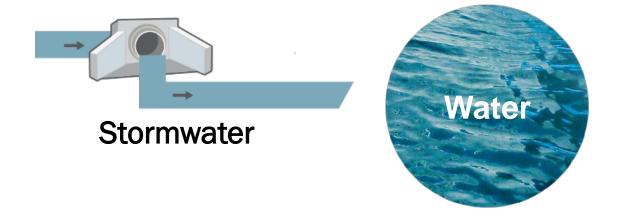
Bisphenols







OPEs and Bisphenols in the Bay





Management of OPEs and Bisphenols



Bisphenols



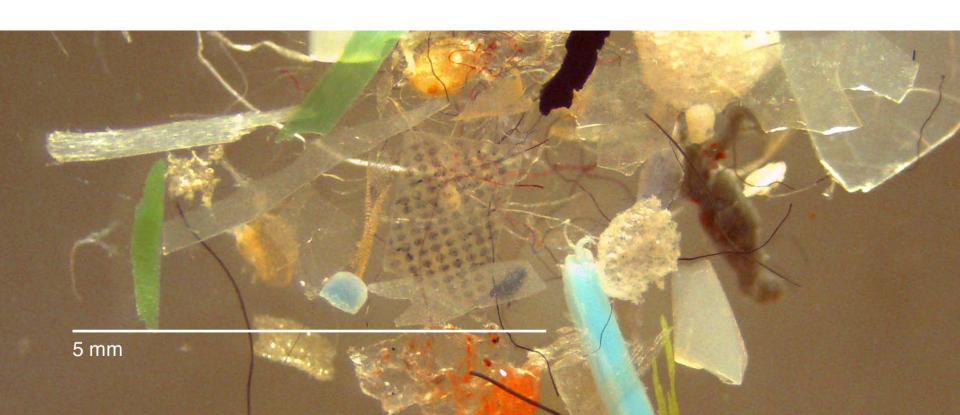




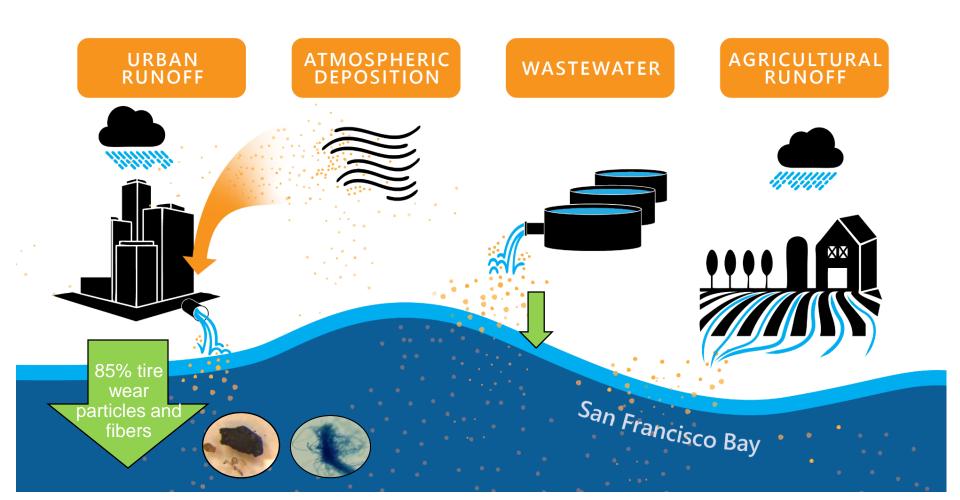
Microplastics

Moderate Concern low impact

Particles of plastic smaller than **5 mm**



Tire-wear Particles and Fibers



Investigating Dryers as Source of Fibers













Tires Ingredient – 6PPD-quinone





Acute Toxicity of the Tire Rubber-Derived Chemical 6PPD-quinone to Four Fishes of Commercial, Cultural, and Ecological Importance

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Alkylphenol Ethoxylates

Moderate Concern

low impact

Alkylphenol ethoxylate









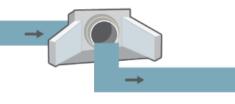


Alkylphenol Ethoxylates in Bay











Stormwater

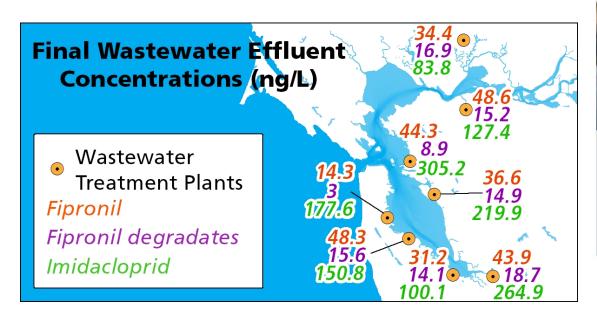




Fipronil and Imidacloprid

Moderate Concern

low impact





RECONSIDER FLEA AND TICK CONTROL OPTIONS FOR YOUR PETS

Products commonly used to treat fleas and ticks

contain toxic p



REOURCES FOR VETERINARIANS

Professionals are encouraged to recommend oral medications to control fleas and ticks, and to discourage the use of topical treatments.



New Possible Concern: Quaternary Ammonium Compounds (QACs)

Possible Concern

uncertainty as to impact















$$C_nH_{(2n+1)}$$

QACs in Bay: Current Monitoring





- San Francisco has safer disinfectant guide to avoid QACs:
 - https://www.sfapproved.org/safer-disinfectantscovid-19

Upcoming: Sunscreen Chemicals

- Oxybenzone, avobenzone, octisalate and degradation products
- Environmental Working Group has sunscreen selection guide: https://www.ewg.org/sunscreen/











Thank you

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