

Committee Request for Board Action: None

26 attendees from 16 member agencies participated in-person at Ross Valley Sanitary District (RVSD) in San Rafael; in addition, 2 presenters from Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts attended online.

An Overview of LACSD's I&I Reduction Efforts

[Link to slides](#)

Liana Olivas and Helen Luu presented on Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts (LACSD) efforts to control I&I in their system. Prompted by large wet-weather spills in February 2024, LACSD has been working to identify and address I&I in areas upstream of the spill locations. They deployed hundreds of flow meters to quantify peaking factors in the system and are prioritizing sewersheds with PF >3. During follow-up investigations in these areas, inspectors identify **manholes that need to be sealed**, key manholes are outfitted with **trail cameras** to monitor flow levels during rain events, and 'clear spheres' with **GoPro cameras** are deployed to inspect segments with suspected illegal connections. Presenters showed 5 cases studies where large I&I inputs were addressed, including two from commercial properties with illegal connections and one from the Altadena burn area, where broken and exposed laterals and clean-outs continue to be an issue in the aftermath of the January 2025 fire.

Roundtable Discussion on SSO Water Quality Monitoring

The group discussed monitoring approaches in the wake of large spills that require sampling of the receiving water. The SSS WDR minimum requirement is to monitor on the days when the spill is active, for ammonia and for bacteria species with water quality objectives for that water body (as listed in the Basin Plan). From the discussion, few agencies monitor past the minimum requirements, but many consult with the local County health departments and will conduct monitoring past the spill end date, if so requested by County health or by the Regional Water Board.

Tour of RVSD Collection System Operations Facility –

Participants toured RVSD's admin facility, data analytics visualizations, and new field tools and vehicles.



Announcements

- Deadline to respond to the State Water Board's [Wastewater Rates Questionnaire](#) was extended to June 5th. See guidance at: [Webinar link](#) and [FAQ link](#).
- The deadline for updating SSMPs for small systems (<2,500 population) is August 2, 2026.
- Agencies that need to keep operating certain types of Tier 2 and Tier 3 engines beyond 12/31/26, must fill out Form 20 with the State's [Portable Equipment Registration Program](#) by 7/1/26.
- Upcoming trainings and events: 5/29 [Transforming Shorelines Collaborative](#) – Free workshop (in SF and online) on groundwater level rise and contaminated sites; 6/10 [CWEA Collection Systems Fundamentals](#) in Petaluma; 6/10 [CWEA SF Bay Section Collection Systems Open House](#) at Ironhouse SD; 6/13 [Central San 80th Anniversary](#) Open House.

Next Meeting: Thursday, August 14th - Virtual