



# California Regional Water Quality Control Board

## San Francisco Bay Region



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CIWQS Place ID: 717433

California Department of Transportation  
Attn: Ms. Cristina Ferraz  
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**Subject: Modification to Water Quality Certification for the Caldecott Tunnel Improvement Project, Alameda and Contra Costa Counties**

**Department Project No.: EA 294900**

Dear Ms. Ferraz:

The San Francisco Regional Water Quality Control Board issued Clean Water Act Section 401 water quality certification (certification) to the California Department of Transportation (Department) for the abovementioned project on August 21, 2008.

The certification requires the Department acquire coverage under an NPDES General Permit for Fuel and Solvent Clean Ups for any discharge groundwater or accumulated stormwater from the Project. Because the Order number specified in the certification has been superseded by a subsequent reissued permit, Condition number 2 of the certification is hereby modified as follows:

2. Groundwater or accumulated stormwater removed during dewatering of excavations shall not be discharged directly to waters of the State except under the coverage of and in compliance with the NPDES General Permit for Fuel and Solvent Clean Ups (Order No. ~~R2-2004-0055~~ R2-2006-0075);

If you have any questions, please contact Brendan Thompson at (510) 622-2506, or via e-mail to [BThompson@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:BThompson@waterboards.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

 acting for

Bruce H. Wolfe  
Executive Officer

*Preserving, enhancing, and restoring the San Francisco Bay Area's waters for over 50 years*

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