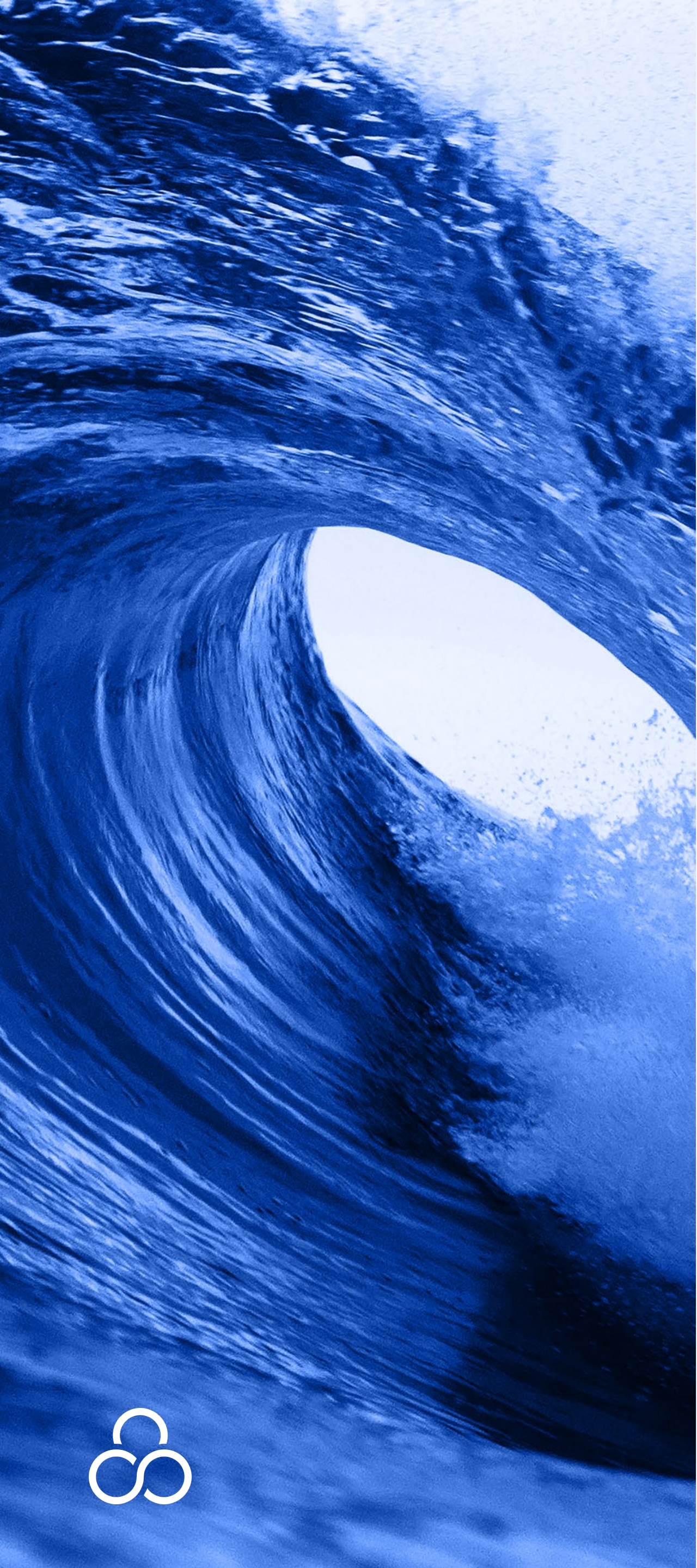


Stormwater Pollution Prevention Ordinance

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Introduction of Ordinance

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Introduction of an ordinance repealing Chapter 4.100 of Title 4 of the San Mateo County Ordinance Code, Storm Water Management and Discharge Control, and replacing it with Chapter 4.100 Stormwater Pollution Prevention, determining that the ordinance is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”), and waive the reading of the ordinance in its entirety.

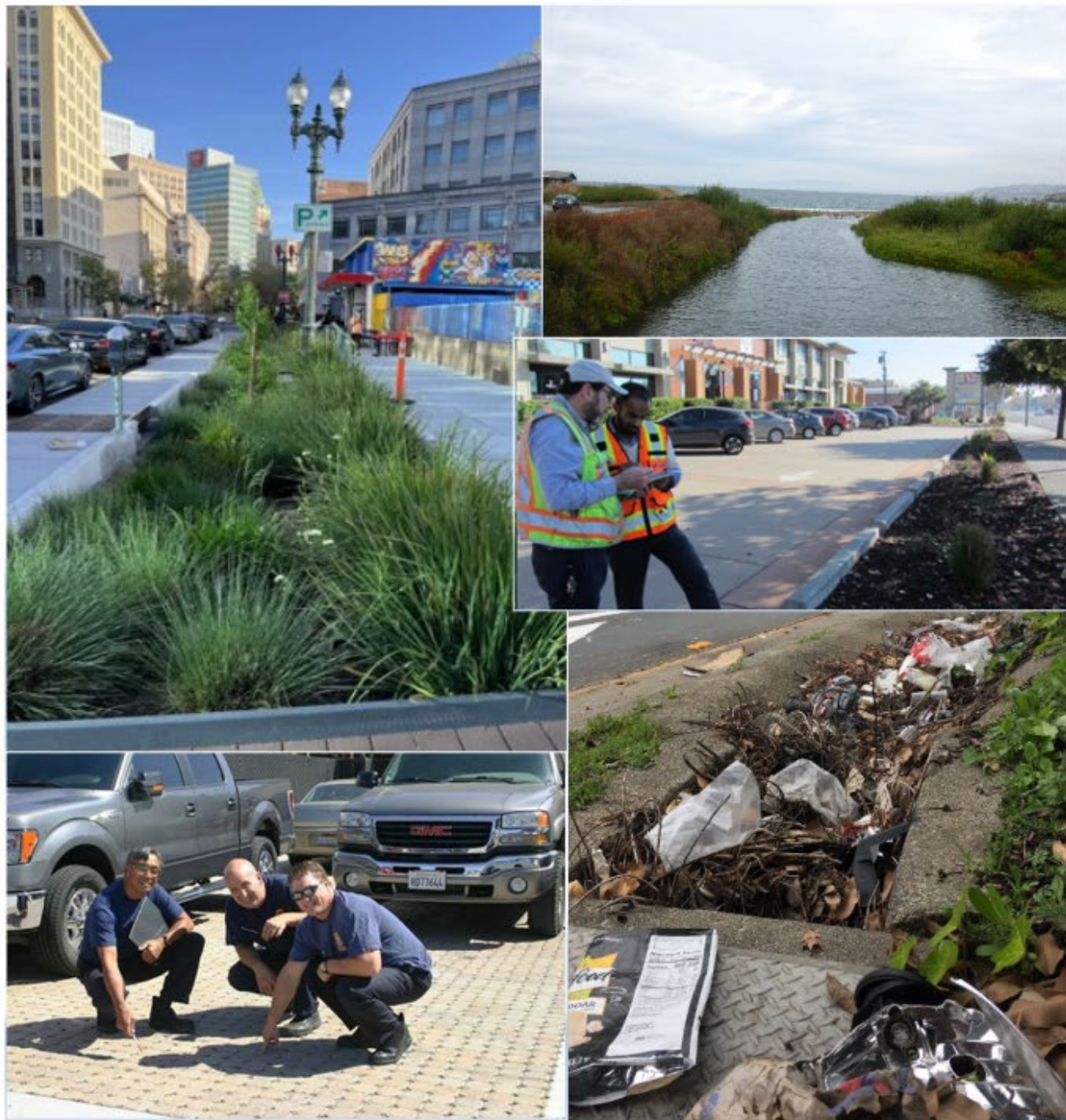


Municipal Regional Permit (MRP)



**California Regional Water Quality Control Board
San Francisco Bay Region
Municipal Regional Stormwater NPDES Permit**

**Order No. R2-2022-0018
NPDES Permit No. CAS612008
May 11, 2022**



- National Pollution Prevention Discharge Elimination System (NPDES): regulates stormwater discharges
- Covers San Mateo, Contra Costa, Alameda, Santa Clara, and Solano Counties, Cities, and Districts
- New provisions include trash reduction, increased impervious surface requirements, and cost reporting
- County is responsible for unincorporated county areas



Stormwater Pollution Prevention vs Flood Mitigation

Runoff and Pollution



- Residential rainfall runoff carrying sediment from construction sites
- Water or wind-blown trash
- Commercial and Industrial discharges into storm drain system
- Horse boarding manure runoff into creeks

Large-Scale Flood Events



- Increasing storm drain and sewer system capacity
- Elevating roads, buildings, and utilities
- Sandbags, berms, levees



San Mateo County Stormwater Pollution Prevention Ordinance

Purpose



- Reduce pollutant discharges from industrial, commercial, agricultural, and municipal operations
- Treat stormwater locally for pollutants
- Highlight Departmental Partnerships: Sustainability Department, Planning and Building Department, Department of Public Works, Environmental Health Services Division, Parks Department

Key Ordinance Changes



- First comprehensive update since adoption in 1995
- Provides authority to the County implement and enforce new permit provisions
- Reflects the shared roles and responsibilities undertaken by County Departments
- Incorporation of supporting documents by reference vs direct inclusion to allow for periodic updates



Recommendation



Department recommends the introduction and adoption of the proposed ordinance to:

- Align with state mandates
- Provide authority to implement and enforce new permit provisions
- Reflect shared roles and responsibilities undertaken by departments



Thank you.

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