

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF BOARD GOVERNED COUNTY SERVICE AREAS
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

April 7, 2026

FROM

NOEL CASTILLO, Director, Department of Public Works – Special Districts

SUBJECT

Sewer System Management Plan Updates for Wastewater Collection Systems at County Service Area 53 - Fawnskin and County Service Area 70 S-7 – Lenwood

RECOMMENDATION(S)

Acting as the governing body of County Service Area 53 – Fawnskin and County Service Area 70 S-7 - Lenwood:

1. Adopt Sewer System Management Plan updates for the wastewater collection systems located at County Service Area 53 – Fawnskin and County Service Area 70 S-7 - Lenwood.
2. Direct the Department of Public Works to submit the updated Sewer System Management Plans to the State Water Resources Control Board.

(Presenter: David Doublet, Assistant Director, 386-8811)

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Foster Sustainable Development Through Strategic Partnerships.

Provide for the Safety, Health and Social Service Needs of County Residents.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Approval of this item will not result in the use of Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost) as adopting the Sewer System Management Plan (SSMP) update is non-financial in nature.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Department of Public Works – Special Districts, Water and Sanitation Division (Department) provides operation, maintenance and management to various County Service Area wastewater collection systems in a manner consistent with the requirements of all Federal and State regulatory agencies. This item seeks approval to adopt updated Sewer System Management Plans for County Service Area 53 – Fawnskin and County Service Area 70 S-7 – Lenwood in compliance with State Water Resources Control Board requirements. A SSMP is a regulatory document that outlines how a wastewater collection system is operated, maintained, and managed to prevent sewer overflows and protect public health and the environment.

To provide a consistent, statewide regulatory approach to address sanitary sewer spills and sanitary sewer overflow, the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) adopted Statewide General Waste Discharge Requirements for Sanitary Sewer Systems, Water Quality Order No. 2022-0103-DWQ (Sanitary Sewer Systems General Order) on December 6, 2022 and Order No. WQ 2013-0058-EXEC (Statewide Waste Discharge Requirements for Sanitary

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Sewer System) on September 9, 2013. Implementation of the SSMP is a requirement of the SWRCB.

The Sanitary Sewer Systems General Order requires public agencies that own or operate sanitary sewer systems to develop and implement SSMPs and report all sanitary sewer spills to the SWRCB's online California Integrated Water Quality System (CIWQS) Sanitary Sewer System Database. As part of its duties, the Department is responsible for the establishment of a SSMP for each wastewater collection system greater than one mile in length to meet the SWRCB requirements.

The objective of the SSMP is to provide a plan and schedule to properly manage, operate and maintain all parts of the sanitary sewer system. The SSMP is established to be consistent with the following goals:

- Maintain or improve the condition of the sewer collection system infrastructure to provide reliable service now and in the future;
- Mitigate infiltration and inflow to adequately provide for sewer capacity and accommodate design storm flow; and
- Minimize the number and impact of any sanitary sewer overflows that may occur.

The updated SSMPs for County Service Area (CSA) 53 – Fawnskin and CSA 70 S-7 – Lenwood, which includes updated organizational information, recent spill reporting, and other audit-related updates, will help meet these goals.

On November 14, 2017 (Item No. 46), the Board of Supervisors adopted the SSMPs for the wastewater collection systems located in various CSAs and their Zones. The Sanitary Sewer Systems General Order requires agencies to conduct an internal audit of their SSMPs every three years and an update every six years. On December 6, 2022, the SWRCB adopted the reissued Sanitary Sewer Systems General Order with the effective date of June 5, 2023. This included an extension to submit audits and updates due to additional criteria in the General Order. Approval of this item will update this SSMP to be compliant with SWRCB Order No. 2022-0103-DWQ and Order No. WQ 2013-0058-EXEC regulating statewide general waste discharge requirements for sanitary sewer systems within the new timeframes.

PROCUREMENT

Not applicable.

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Aaron Gest, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on February 27, 2026; and County Finance and Administration (Matthew Dalton, Administrative Analyst II, 387-5005) on March 17, 2026.

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APPROVED (CONSENT CALENDAR)

Moved: Joe Baca, Jr. Seconded: Curt Hagman
Ayes: Col. Paul Cook (Ret.), Jesse Armendarez, Dawn Rowe, Curt Hagman, Joe Baca, Jr.

Lynna Monell, CLERK OF THE BOARD

BY  _____
DATED: April 7, 2026



cc: File- SDD/Board Governed County Service Area - CSA 70 S-7
File- SDD/Board Governed County Service Area - CSA 53-B
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