

Summary Discussion Notes from

February 21, 2012 Ordinance Review Advisory Committee Meeting

(staff responses in *italics font*)

Staff presented the updated proposed California Water Efficient Landscapes Ordinance / Bay Friendly Basics ordinance with the proposed performance standards and landscaping review implementation methods, and timeline for follow-up during and after the landscaping project approval period.

Bay Friendly Basics Update

- A. Concern regarding appearance of stormwater treatment areas and infrastructure in the landscape such as drainage grates, standpipes, etc.
  - 1. *Staff will review submitted landscape materials using a prescriptive set of performance standards with the intent of ensuring the effective screening of such stormwater treatment areas or infrastructure where possible, and a more naturalized look to other areas such as drainage grates and otherwise bare ground.*
  - 2. *Review of landscape plans will include requirement for of larger size of landscaping at time of planting, as appropriate, to result in less bare ground.*
- B. How will implementation take effect?
  - 1. *Staff will review Landscape materials, which will be required to include Performance Standards that will enable staff to follow up with the applicant after the landscape installation.*
  - 2. *Staff will conduct inspections of the Landscape post-installation as part of inspection of stormwater treatment facilities.*
    - a. *on average, 45 Days after installation*
    - b. *on average, 5-year periods thereafter*
    - c. *installations subject to code enforcement for maintenance*
  - 3. *Landscape replanting and additions to be completed by applicant where required.*
    - a. *Specified in Conditions of Approval*
- D. What if Landscaping is not maintained?
  - 1. *Staff will review the landscape maintenance plan from the applicant prior to project approval*
  - 2. *Landscaping Inspections will be conducted coincident with stormwater inspections, at approximately 45 days after installation, and approximately every 5 years thereafter.*
  - 3. *Code Enforcement will have clear enforceable guidelines from the Conditions of Approval*