

## Detterman, Mark, Env. Health

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**From:** Abe [abegupta@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 07, 2012 4:16 PM  
**To:** Detterman, Mark, Env. Health  
**Cc:** Drogos, Donna, Env. Health; Som D Gupta; Cherie MCcaulou  
**Subject:** Questions

Questions:

1. Do site closure approvals have to go through the local water board?
2. If AlCo does not agree with the site closure recommendation can the matter be directly taken to the Board?
3. Can you send me the regulations and materials and/or contract which governs the local water board, Alameda Co. Dept. of Env. Health relationship?
4. Please kindly respond to the past correspondence which has been ignored till now.

Thanks,

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**From:** Abe [abegupta@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 07, 2012 1:18 PM  
**To:** Melinda Wong  
**Cc:** Cherie MCcaulou; Som D Gupta; Detterman, Mark, Env. Health; Selim.Zeyrek@acwd.com; USTCF\_Payments@waterboards.ca.gov  
**Subject:** Re: Re: Requesting Public Records

Dear Ms. Wong,

Thank you for your email. I have logged on to the geotracker website, but I am confused. Please clarify why Sierra Environmental's closure recommendation letter is not included here.

Alameda County is ignoring my requests to discuss these two sites, so it's a little difficult to proceed. Ultimately, your office pays the contractor so I would like someone in SWRCB to address my concerns. Does the SWB know how it's money has been spent? I don't know about you, but *\$200,000 is a lot of money to me*. When there is nothing to show for it; that is disturbing. When the supposedly licensed engineer recommends closure and Alameda County refuses to accept the recommendation so even more money can be wasted-- that is very problematic. But most problematic of all is when I, as an investigator question, how monies were spent everyone hides, ignores my questions and seemingly refuses to cooperate. Such behavior is bizarre and totally contrary to the purported transparency of this program.

Also, I emailed Mr. Zeyrek, it was ignored.

Regards,

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On Wed, Mar 7, 2012 at 12:01 PM, Melinda Wong <[MWong@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:MWong@waterboards.ca.gov)> wrote:

Dear Mr. Gupta,

I am the custodian of records for San Francisco Bay Water Board. We have received (and processed) your public records request for 17715 Mission Boulevard, Hayward and 43455 Mission Boulevard, Fremont. A copy of public records we have are ready for pickup at a charge of \$12 of 60 pages, based on 20 cents per page. Other public records are available online as discussed below.

17715 Mission Blvd., Hayward - electronic records are available at <http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/> and at <http://www.acgov.org/> For UST Cleanup Fund billing inquires contact [USTCF\\_Payments@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:USTCF_Payments@waterboards.ca.gov) or call [800-813-3863](tel:800-813-3863). Alameda County Environmental Health (ACEH) is the lead regulatory agency, contact person is Mark Detterman [\(510\)567-6876](tel:510-567-6876).

43455 Mission Boulevard, Fremont - electronic records are available at <http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/> For UST Cleanup Fund billing inquires contact [USTCF\\_Payments@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:USTCF_Payments@waterboards.ca.gov) or call [800-813-3863](tel:800-813-3863).

Alameda County Water District (ACEH) is the lead regulatory agency, contact person is Selim Zeyrek at [510-668-4491](tel:510-668-4491). You can contact ACWD directly and get a disk of available public records. You can also access technical reports and letters online at the State Water Resource Control Board's website at <https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov>

Please let us know if you do not have access to a computer and printer and want our agency to provide you with information that is readily available online at <http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/>. We will charge you a fee of 20 cents per page. Payment must be made with a money order (no cash, no credit cards, no checks) and received when you pick up the information.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Melinda Wong  
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San Francisco Regional  
Water Quality Control Board  
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Oakland, CA 94612  
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>>> Cherie McCaulou 3/7/2012 11:10 AM >>>

Sincerely,

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Engineering Geologist  
San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board  
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>>> Abe Gupta <[abegupta@gmail.com](mailto:abegupta@gmail.com)> 3/6/2012 5:19 PM >>>

My request to you has been made in full accordance with the CPRA. If you or the County ignore the requests, we will respond accordingly.

Regards,

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On Mar 6, 2012, at 5:16 PM, Cherie McCaulou <[CMccaulou@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:CMccaulou@waterboards.ca.gov)> wrote:

Abe - I understand you want to file a public records request. To do so, please submit your request in writing to our Custodian of Records, Attn: Melinda Wong, [mwong@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:mwong@waterboards.ca.gov) at the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board office, 1515 Clay Street, Suite 1400, Oakland California.

Sincerely,  
Cherie McCaulou  
Engineering Geologist  
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>>> Abe Gupta <[abegupta@gmail.com](mailto:abegupta@gmail.com)> 3/6/2012 2:00 PM >>>  
I asked you for files on the Fig Tree Fremont station as well.

How can the SWRCB have no files? Don't they issue payment checks?

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On Mar 6, 2012, at 1:46 PM, Cherie McCaulou <[CMccaulou@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:CMccaulou@waterboards.ca.gov)> wrote:

Abe - Alameda County Environmental Health(ACEH) is the lead regulatory agency overseeing the investigation and cleanup of this site. Mark Detterman is the case worker. Questions regarding the need for monitoring, investigation, remedial actions or case closure should be directed to him at [\(510-567-6876\)](tel:510-567-6876).

Regarding your request for public records, I searched our records and found no file for this case (#01-2344). This is not unusual because ACEH is the lead agency for oversight. You can find electronic files at ACEH's website at [www.acgov.org](http://www.acgov.org) (select "Local Oversight Program" file search) or go to the State Water Resource Control Board's website at <https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov>

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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