



10.0 SSMP AUDITS

This section of the SSMP discusses the District's SSMP auditing program. This section fulfills the SSMP Audit requirement for the RWQCB and the SWRCB elements.

10.1 Regulatory Requirements for SSMP Audits Element

The requirements for the SSMP Audits element of the SSMP are summarized below:

10.1.1 RWQCB Requirement

The District must conduct an annual audit of their SSMP that includes any deficiencies and steps to correct them that are appropriate to the size of the District's system and the number of overflows. The District must submit a report of its annual audit.

10.1.2 SWRCB Requirement

The District shall conduct periodic internal audits, appropriate to the size of the system and the number of SSOs. At a minimum, these audits must occur every two years and a report must be prepared and kept on file. This audit shall focus on evaluating the effectiveness of the SSMP and the District's compliance with the SSMP requirements, including identification of any deficiencies in the SSMP and steps to correct them.

10.2 District SSMP Audits

The District completed its second 5-year audit of the SSMP in June 2017. The 5-year audit was completed by AMConsulting. The District utilized the log audit format developed by the BACWA Collection System committee. The results of the District's 2017 audit assisted the District in implementing specific additional projects designed to aid in the continued reduction of SSOs (a copy of the 2017 Audit is located at Appendix-10A). Staff continually reassesses and updates the scheduled improvements documented in the Sustainability Plan and report their effectiveness on an on-going basis throughout each calendar year.

Element 10 requires Bi-Annual Audits (performed annually by staff, using the California Water Boards Sewer System Management Plan Guidelines) and 5-year audits (2017) and updates to the SSMP. To comply with SSO-WDR, AMConsulting was hired to perform a thorough review of the current SSMP as required per the State General Waste Discharge Requirements for Sanitary Sewer Systems. The five year analysis included the review of internal documents, the Districts database and all records utilized to monitor and maintain the Districts collection system. Additionally, AMConsulting spent three days on site meeting with staff and performing field evaluations on Collection System Maintenance Operations.

Though AMConsulting concluded that the Districts SSMP met or exceeded the SSO-WDR requirements for a compliant SSMP, they provided a summary of findings and recommendations



to further improve our SSMP, this document is available for review upon request at the District Office.

The Annual Audit is located at Appendix 10A; the Annual SSO Report is located at Appendix 10B of this SSMP.

