

# **INSPECTION ACTIVITIES**

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### QUALITATIVE RESULTS

**Municipality:** Town of Danville

**Permit Year:** (2006/2007)

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#### **Introduction:**

The goal of the Town's Industrial and Commercial Inspection Program is to inspect priority businesses and facilities at least once in a five-year cycle and conduct follow-up and re-inspections when appropriate. The Town contracts with the Contra Costa Central Sanitary District (CCCSD) to do business inspections. When possible, sanitary sewer inspections are combined with stormwater inspections which benefit the business owner and the Town. The Town's Stormwater Manager directs and monitors the inspection program.

The Town's goals for this year included:

1. Follow up on the NOV issued for one business from last year to see if additional Town enforcement is necessary - completed
2. Continue to monitor CCCSD inspection priorities to ensure that community pools are inspected this next fiscal year - completed.

The Town of Danville utilizes the Central Contra Costa Sanitation District (CCCSD) to do business inspections in Danville. The Stormwater Manager, Chris McCann (925-314-3342), manages the inspection program and provides feedback and direction to CCCSD.

#### **Implementation & Evaluation:**

The Town entered into the current contract with CCCSD mid-year of 2003 to do business inspections till 2008. The Town's Industrial and Commercial Business Inspection Plan includes identification of all priority businesses that the Contra Costa Central Sanitary District (CCCSD) will inspect in the five year period of the contract. This list was reviewed at the end of last year for this year's program.

In general, the Town is pleased with CCCSD's inspection and reporting services and feels that their inspectors are well trained, readily available and responsive. The Town's contract with CCCSD commits to inspecting priority establishments at least once within the five-year contract period. Our goal was 36 inspections for this year and CCCSD completed 43 inspections (including 16 initial and 27 re-inspections) plus 16 follow-up and/or enforcement inspections, for a total of 59 inspections. Fifteen of the places inspected resulted in additional follow-up visits to ensure compliance. There was one violation and one warning issued. The one violation is being evaluated as to whether additional enforcement may be necessary by the Town.

The Town also requests CCCSD to do individual call-outs for a particular business on a case-by-case basis in order to respond to a specific complaint or in-field observation. CCCSD is very prompt at responding to special concerns and call-outs by the Town. However, this year, of the 44 different businesses inspected, there were only 5 call-outs (2 from Town staff), none of which were determined to be violations. Last year more violations resulted from call-outs than the regular inspection program which indicated that reaction time is very important. This year it appears that there were fewer call-outs and fewer violations as a result. In general, the Town's relationship with CCCSD has improved to point that we are able to "catch" violations based on Town staff's knowledge and information and CCCSD is able to act quickly.

In reviewing the results from the past few years, the only significant findings or trends that can be found are that there are a few "problem" sites that need consistent attention. Auto care, restaurants and dry cleaners are a priority to the Town. When Town staff conducts follow-up on CCCSD inspections, we have found that the employee turn-over rate for restaurants is high and many go out of business after a year or two; so repeat inspections to these facilities are almost a necessity to ensure compliance. That is why almost half of all the inspections are for restaurants. When the Town sees that one of these facilities is a consistent repeat offender and is intentionally overlooking stormwater regulations then additional enforcement and fines will be imposed.

In recent years the Town has tried to focus on other types of businesses as well. A priority this year was for CCCSD staff to inspect dry cleaners and five were done – this completes an inspection for every one in town (including last years inspections). As a result of those inspections, no stormwater violations were found. An illicit discharge case regarding a landscape nursery caused the Town to target all landscape nurseries in Town last year.

As a result of a reported illicit discharge last year in a creek near a community pool, the Town requested CCCSD do a formal inspection of the community pool. Unfortunately the original pool inspection did not solve the illicit complaint that caused the Town to target the community pool, but it helped eliminate a potential cause of the pollution. As a result of the pool inspection, the illicit investigation led the Town to a nearby golf course outside Danville's Town limits and the case was referred to and coordinated with the County to help investigate the illicit discharge. The Town and the County then did a joint inspection of the golf course this year and are still coordinating on the matter. Please see the Illicit discharge section of this report for further details on this subject. In this case, the Town's inspection program was successful in helping to solve an illicit discharge case.

Town Stormwater manager reviews and monitors all CCCSD inspection reports to ensure timely progress and overall compliance with the Town's inspection program. CCCSD's completes regular follow-up reports and the Town receives quarterly reports of all inspections in addition to all warning and violation notices as they occur. This allows the Town to better monitor their overall inspection pace and performance. For example, by mid-year this year we were on track for the number of inspections targeted

for the year. A copy of a warning notice, violation notice, and quarterly and year-end reports were contained in last year's annual report in Attachments IN-1, IN-2, IN-3, and IN-4 and are not included again this year.

### Green Business

One of the inspections completed this year by the CCCSD was for the Town of Danville Maintenance Corporation Yard. The Yard obtained Green Business status four years ago and the program requires a three year re-inspection in order to remain certified. This year it was re-inspected by five agencies and passed the inspection again. This inspection program rewards the Town's efforts in the areas of water, energy, recycling, garbage, HAZMAT, sanitary, as well as, stormwater (see Attachment IN-1).

### **Modifications:**

None Identified

### **Fiscal Year 2007/2008 Goals:**

1. Follow up on the NOV issued for one business from last year to see if additional Town enforcement is necessary.
2. Continue to monitor CCCSD inspections as they occur and implement any necessary changes that may occur as a result of the new MRP.

## INSPECTION ACTIVITIES – QUANTITATIVE RESULTS

Description	Industrial/ NOI	Commercial			Misc. <sup>(2)</sup>	Total
		Restaurants	Vehicle Service Facility	Other <sup>(1)</sup>		
<b>INSPECTION SUMMARY</b>						
Number of Facilities scheduled for Inspection						36
Number of Facilities Inspected						59
Number of Routine Facility Inspections	3	25	7	7	1	43
Number of Priority Facility Inspections	3	39	4	14	2	62
Number of Call-out Inspections		3		1	1	5
Number of Follow up Inspections		12	2	1	1	16
<b>ENFORCEMENT</b>						
Total Number of Enforcement Actions						0
Number of Notices of Violation (NOV) Issued						1
Number of Warning/Pollutant Exposure Notices (WN/PEN) issued						1
Number of Fines Levied						0
Number of Referrals						1

Description	Industrial/ NOI	Commercial			Misc. <sup>(2)</sup>	Total
		Restaurants	Vehicle Service Facility	Other <sup>(1)</sup>		
<b>BUSINESS EDUCATION &amp; OUTREACH</b>						
Number of Educational Materials Distributed						43
<b>INSPECTOR TRAINING</b>						
Number of Inspector Training Sessions						1 <sup>a</sup>
Number of Inspectors Trained						2 <sup>b</sup>

(1) Nursery, golf course, grocery, retail gas outlet.

(2) Mobile surface cleaners, corporation yards, contractor's yards, call out to residential.

<sup>a</sup> Town staff only – CCCSD staff not counted in this number

<sup>b</sup> Ibid

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