

Technical Memorandum Name: Regional Treatment, April 2008
Commenter: TAC Financial
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Responses Date: July 18, 2008

The following comments were submitted in response to the above listed Technical Memorandum (TM). The TM was developed as part of the EIR process for the project, in order to help facilitate and broaden the discussion of project issues important to the community. The responses should be considered preliminary because the EIR process is not complete, and the information necessary to fully respond has not yet been developed. The project team is grateful to those citizens who took the time to review the TM and provide comments at this early stage in the process. The project team will endeavor to fully address the comments and concerns through the on-going project development process.

	Comment	Response
1	While the idea of regional treatment appears to make sense, the associated problems make it inappropriate: the problem of returning water to the LO aquifer, the risks to the MB national estuary, and unlikelihood of Morro Bay and Cayucos being willing partners, and the improbability of State water becoming available and affordable.	Comment noted.
2	However: Is it feasible to send our solids to MB for treatment?	It is not likely. Morro Bay does not currently accept biosolids from other facilities and has limited land capacity to treat their own sludge.
3	Can we take advantage of economy of scale via regionalization of administration through a sanitation district?	This option depends on the willing participation of other agencies. Currently, Project administration by the County provides regionalized administration since the County also operates many other facilities with its staff.