

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL COAST REGION

STAFF REPORT FOR REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 21, 2005

Prepared on September 6, 2005

ITEM NUMBER: 17

SUBJECT: Rescission of Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) Order No. 87-011, Koppers Company, Inc., Kaiser Sand and Gravel, Santa Cruz County.

KEY INFORMATION

Location: One mile northwest of Scotts Valley, Santa Cruz County
Treatment System: None (plant is inoperative)
Discharge Type: Formerly, quarry and truck washwater
Treatment type: Ponds
Design Capacity: None (plant is inoperative)
Average Flow: None (plant is inoperative)
Disposal: Stormwater runs off into ponds
Recycling: None
Existing Orders: WDRs Order No. 87-11

SUMMARY

Hanson Aggregates (Discharger) owns the Felton Sand Plant formerly owned and operated by Koppers Company. The plant no longer quarries sand and is shut down. The plant discharges no process wastewater, which consisted of quarried sand washwater, truck washwater and storm water. WDRs Order No. 87-11 ensures the Discharger provides adequate pond volume to hold all the wastewater and winter storm runoff without discharging to Bean Creek.

The County of Santa Cruz is overseeing the site's reclamation in accordance with the state Surface Mining and Reclamation Act (SMARA). In accordance with SMARA, the Discharger shall restore the site to its former stability by reshaping the land surface and planting native vegetation. Once the site has been reclaimed, it will no longer threaten the beneficial uses of Bean Creek. Until the site has been reclaimed, the Discharger shall remain enrolled under the NPDES *General Permit for Stormwater Discharges Associated with Construction Activity*. Therefore, the

waste discharge requirements in Order No. 87-11 are no longer needed to protect the uses of Bean Creek.

COMMENTS

Dave Carlsen, Santa Cruz County Planning Department provided some minor corrections of fact.

ATTACHMENTS

WDRs Order No. 87-11

RECOMMENDATION

Rescind WDRs Order No. 87-11

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