

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
CENTRAL COAST REGION

STAFF REPORT FOR REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 11-12, 2006

Prepared on April 17, 2006

ITEM NUMBER: 19

SUBJECT: Rescission of NPDES Permit No. CA0049441, Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 01-012, for Highlands Sanitary Association, Wastewater Treatment Plant, Monterey County

KEY INFORMATION

Discharger: Highlands Sanitary Association and Tickle Pink Inn  
Location: 112 Pine Way, Carmel Highlands, Monterey County  
Discharge Type: Domestic wastewater  
Discharge Volume: Up to 6,000 gallons per day  
Treatment: Secondary  
Process Water Disposal: Ocean Discharge  
Recycling: None  
Existing Order: 01-012  
**This Action: Rescission of Order**

DISCUSSION

The Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coast Region, adopted NPDES Permit No. CA0049441, Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 01-012, for Highlands Sanitary Association. (Discharger) on March 23, 2001. Order No. 01-012 regulates the discharge of secondary treated domestic wastewater from eleven private residences and the Tickle Pink Inn, a 35-room resort, to the Pacific Ocean.

On November 21, 2005, all domestic wastewater from the Highlands Sanitary Association and Tickle Pink Inn was diverted to the Carmel Area Wastewater District treatment plant. Treatment and discharge operations were held in standby at the Highlands Sanitary Association wastewater treatment plant for a short period to verify the reliability of the new collection system connection.

The Highlands Sanitary Association treatment plant is currently being decommissioned. Henceforth, all domestic wastewater from the Highlands Sanitary Association and Tickle Pink Inn will be conveyed to the Carmel Area Wastewater District treatment facility. Therefore, the existing permit is no longer necessary.

Everything upstream of the terminal manhole will remain the property of the Highlands Sanitary Association and Tickle Pink Inn. Staff will evaluate the Highlands Sanitary Association/Tickle Pink Inn for enrollment under the State Water Board's general waste discharge requirements for collection systems once it is adopted.

COMMENT AND RESPONSES

Staff notified interested parties of the proposed rescission on February 24, 2006.

No comments were received as of April 17, 2006.

RECOMMENDATION

Rescind NPDES Permit No. CA0049441, Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 01-012.

ATTACHMENT

Order No. 01-012

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