

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION**

ORDER R5-2023-0041

RESCINDING WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (Central Valley Water Board), finds that the Central Valley Water Board adopted the following Orders which are no longer applicable for the reasons shown:

A) E&B NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT CORPORATION, HOPKINS A, HOPKINS A SOUTH, PHIPPEN, VOIGHT, AND WILLIAMS, KERN COUNTY, ORDER NO. 58-443

Waste Discharge Requirements Order Number 58-443, which was adopted on 21 November 1958, provides regulatory coverage and prescribes requirements for the disposal of oil field produced wastewater (wastewater or discharge) to unlined surface impoundments (ponds) at the following five disposal facilities (Facilities): Hopkins A, Hopkins A South, Phippen, Voight, and Williams in the Antelope Hills Oil Field in Kern County. On 26 April 2019, E&B Natural Resources Management Corporation (E&B or Discharger) submitted a Notice of Intent (NOI) for coverage under Order Number R5-2017-0036, Waste Discharge Requirements General Order for Oil Field Discharges to Land, General Order Number Three (General Order R5-2017-0036). Based on information included in the NOI, Central Valley Water Board staff (Staff) determined that the Facilities are eligible for coverage under General Order R5-2017-0036. A Notice of Applicability for coverage under General Order R5-2017-0036 was issued to the Discharger on 8 July 2022. Since regulatory coverage for the discharge is provided under General Order R5-2017-0036, staff have determined that it is appropriate to rescind Order Number 58-443.

B) E&B NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT CORPORATION, PICKRELL-MITCHEL AND PICKRELL-WILLIAMS, KERN COUNTY, ORDER NO. 69-111

Waste Discharge Requirements Order Number 69-111 (Order Number 69-111), adopted on 13 December 1968, provides regulatory coverage and prescribes requirements for the disposal of oil field wastewater to unlined ponds at the Pickrell-Mitchel and the Pickrell-Williams disposal facilities (Facilities) in the Antelope Hills Oil Field in Kern County. On 26 April 2019, E&B Natural Resources Management Corporation (E&B or Discharger) submitted a Notice of Intent (NOI) for coverage under Order Number R5-2017-0036, Waste Discharge Requirements General Order for Oil Field Discharges to Land, General Order Number Three (General Order R5-2017-0036). Based on information included in the NOI submitted by the Discharger, staff have determined that the facilities are eligible for coverage under General Order R5-2017-0036. A Notice of Applicability for General Order R5-2017-0036 was issued to the Discharger on 8 July 2022. Since regulatory coverage for the discharge is provided under General Order R5-2017-0036, it is appropriate to rescind Order Number 69-111.

C) RIO PLUMA COMPANY, LLC, BUTTE COUNTY, ORDER 99-074

Waste Discharge Requirements Order 99-074, adopted on 11 June 1999, prescribes requirements for wastewater discharge at Rio Pluma Company, LLC's (Discharger) prune processing facility (Facility) located in Gridley, Butte County. The Facility produced prune juice and canned prunes. Process wastewater was conveyed through two screens, then into a lined wastewater pond, from the pond wastewater was treated with coagulant and conveyed through a clarifier for removal of solids. Treated process wastewater was discharged into the City of Gridley municipal sewer. The Facility ceased operation on 25 March 2022. The Discharger completed removal of all wastewater and residual solids from the pond with no plans for production of or discharge associated with prune processing at the site. Therefore, it is appropriate to rescind Waste Discharge Requirements Order 99-074.

**D) SACRAMENTO REGIONAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT,
SACRAMENTO REGIONAL COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT, SACRAMENTO
COUNTY WATER AGENCY, MASTER WATER RECLAMATION PERMIT
ORDER 97-146**

Master Water Reclamation Permit Order 97-146, adopted on 20 June 1997, prescribes requirements for the treatment and use of disinfected tertiary treated wastewater produced at the Sacramento Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant (SRWTP), specifically from the Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) for use in compliance with Title 22 reclamation criteria. Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District (Regional San) is the owner and operator of the SRWTP, which produces the recycled water. Regional San and the Sacramento County Water Agency administer the Recycled Water Program. Regional San has replaced the WRF with a new Tertiary Treatment Facility (TTF) which supplies all Title 22 equivalent recycled water for their Recycled Water Program. The SRWTP, which includes the TTF, is regulated under Amending Order R5-2022-0064 adopted on 14 October 2022 and Order R5-2021-0019-01 Amended WDRs/NPDES Permit CA0077682 adopted on 22 April 2021 and amended on 14 October 2022. Regional San submitted a Report of Waste Discharge for coverage under the Statewide General Order 2016-0068-DDW, Water Reclamation Requirements for Recycled Water. Administration of the Recycled Water Program has transferred to enrollment under General Order 2016-0068-DDW-R5023, which was issued by the Executive Officer on 30 January 2023. Therefore, it is appropriate to rescind Order 97-146.

E) SIERRA PACIFIC INDUSTRIES, INC., SHASTA COUNTY, ORDER R5-2003-0081

Waste Discharge Requirements Order R5-2003-0081, was adopted on 25 April 2023, for Post-Closure Maintenance and Monitoring of Sierra Pacific Industries, Inc. (Discharger) Shasta Lake Class III Landfill (Facility) located in Shasta County. The Facility ceased accepting wastes in 1987 and monitoring commenced in 1989, corresponding to a post-closure monitoring period exceeding 34 years which exceeds the minimum Title 27 prescriptive compliance period of 30 years. The Discharger demonstrated that the remaining waste in the waste management unit does not appear to threaten water quality. Additionally, monitoring of groundwater wells and surface

water observations will continue in accordance with existing NPDES Permit R5-2022-0041 (CA0081400). The Discharger satisfied the minimum prescriptive post-closure monitoring period requirements of Title 27. Therefore, it is appropriate to rescind Waste Discharge Requirements Order R5-2003-0081.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above Orders are rescinded on the date of this order unless otherwise stated above.

I, PATRICK PULUPA, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region on 10 August 2023.

PATRICK PULUPA, Executive Officer