

**4/5 June 2020 BOARD MEETING
UNCONTESTED AGENDA ITEM**

AGENDA ITEM: 20

SUBJECT:

Rescinding Waste Discharge Requirements Orders

BOARD ACTION:

Adopt the Orders.

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

ORDER R5-2020-XXXX

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Region (Central Valley Water Board), finds that the Central Valley Water Board adopted the following Orders which are no longer applicable for the reasons shown: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. AEROJET GENERAL CORPORATION, SACRAMENTO FACILITY,
SACRAMENTO COUNTY, ORDER R5-2013-0156, (NPDES PERMIT CA0004111)**

Aerojet General Corporation operated under Order No. R5-2013-0156 for the discharge of industrial wastewater, stormwater and miscellaneous other discharges to surface water and to ground at its facility in Rancho Cordova, California. Sources of the discharges have changed over the nearly 70 years of operations. The main discharges that were permitted under the latest version of the permit were cooling tower discharges and boiler blowdown. The facility has ceased operations and the discharges have been terminated. Inspections were made of what was left of the 192 permitted discharges to verify that they no longer exist.

**b. CITY OF PLACERVILLE, HANGTOWN CREEK WATER RECLAMATION
FACILITY, EL DORADO COUNTY, ORDER R5-2014-0015-01 (NPDES PERMIT
CA0078956)**

Waste Discharge Requirements Order R5-2014-0015-01 (NPDES CA0078956), adopted 7 February 2014, by the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, prescribed requirements for the discharge of treated wastewater from the City of Placerville's Hangtown Creek Water Reclamation Facility (Facility) to Hangtown Creek, a water of the United States and a tributary to the South Fork of the American River. The Discharger owns and operates the Facility that provides sewerage service for the community of Placerville and a portion of El Dorado County and serves a population of approximately 10,000 individuals.

On 24 July 2018, the City of Placerville submitted a Notice of Intent and applied for coverage under the General Order for Municipal Wastewater Dischargers That Meet Objectives/Criteria at the Point of Discharge to Surface Water, Order R5-2017-0085-01, NPDES CAG585001 (Municipal General Order). Based on the information in the Notice of Intent, the discharge meets the required conditions for coverage under the Municipal General Order and a Notice of Applicability was issued by the Central Valley Water Board's Executive Officer with an effective date of 1 August 2020. Since regulatory coverage for the discharge of treated wastewater to surface water will be provided under the Municipal General Order, Order R5-2014-0015-01 is no longer necessary and is hereby rescinded, effective 1 August 2020.

c. GENERAL WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS/NPDES PERMIT FOR DISCHARGE TO SURFACE WATERS OF GROUNDWATER FROM CLEANUP OF PETROLEUM FUEL POLLUTION, ORDER R5-2013-0075 (NPDES Permit CAG915001)

General Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges to Surface Waters of Groundwater from Cleanup of Petroleum Fuel Pollution (Petroleum General Order) R5-2013-0075 (NPDES Permit CAG915001) was adopted on 31 May 2013 and expired on 1 May 2018. The Petroleum General Order is no longer being used to regulate the discharge to surface waters from petroleum fuel pollution groundwater cleanup projects and there are currently no enrollees covered under the General Order. Therefore, the Petroleum Cleanup General Order is now being rescinded.

d. LAZARUS MINING, LLC AND U.S. FOREST SERVICE, TAHOE NATIONAL FOREST, KLONDIKE, DUTCH, AND TELEGRAPH TUNNEL MINES, SIERRA COUNTY, ORDER R5-2015-0075 (NPDES PERMIT CA0084387)

Waste Discharge Requirements Order R5-2015-0075 (NPDES CA0084387), adopted 5 June 2015, by the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, prescribes requirements for the discharge of treated and untreated groundwater from Lazarus Mining, LLC and U.S. Forest Service, Tahoe National Forest's Klondike, Dutch, and Telegraph Tunnel Mines (Facility) to Goodyears Creek, a water of the United States and a tributary to the Yuba River. The Dischargers own and operate the Facility that treats groundwater discharged from the Telegraph Mine. Discharge from the Klondike and Dutch Tunnel Mines is untreated prior to discharge.

On 26 September 2019, High Sierra Exploration, LLC submitted a Notice of Intent (NOI) and applied for coverage under the General Order for Limited Threat Discharges to Surface Water, Order R5-2016-0076-01, NPDES CAG995002 (Limited Threat General Order) for the Klondike and Dutch Tunnel Mines. On 30 September 2019, Telegraph LLC submitted a NOI and applied for coverage under the Limited Threat General Order for the Telegraph Mine. Based on the information in the NOIs, the discharges meet the required conditions for coverage under the Limited Threat General Order and two individual Notices of Applicability were issued by the Central Valley Water Board's Executive Officer with the same effective date of 1 August 2020. Since regulatory coverage for the discharges of treated and untreated groundwater to surface water will be provided under the Limited Threat General Order, Order R5-2015-0075 is no longer necessary and is hereby rescinded, effective 1 August 2020.

e. LAZARUS MINING, LLC AND U.S. FOREST SERVICE, TAHOE NATIONAL FOREST, KLONDIKE, DUTCH, AND TELEGRAPH TUNNEL MINES, SIERRA COUNTY, TIME SCHEDULE ORDER R5-2015-0901 (NPDES Permit CA0084387)

Time Schedule Order R5-2015-0901, issued by the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region's Executive Officer on 14 July 2015, established interim effluent limitations and a compliance schedule to achieve final effluent limitations required by Waste Discharge Requirements Order R5-2015-0075

(NPDES Permit CA0084387) for the discharge of treated and untreated groundwater from Lazarus Mining, LLC and U.S. Forest Service, Tahoe National Forest's Klondike, Dutch, and Telegraph Tunnel Mines to Goodyears Creek, a water of the United States and a tributary to the Yuba River. The compliance schedule required full compliance with effluent limitations for lead and nickel from the Telegraph Mine and cadmium from the Klondike and Dutch Tunnel Mines by 31 July 2020. By 1 October 2018, the discharges were in compliance with their respective final effluent limitations. Since the discharges comply with the final effluent limitations Time Schedule Order R5-2015-0901 is no longer necessary and is hereby rescinded, effective 1 August 2020.

f. **NEVADA COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 1, LAKE OF THE PINES WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT, NEVADA COUNTY, ORDER R5-2015-0028 (NPDES PERMIT CA0081612)**

Waste Discharge Requirements Order R5-2015-0028 (NPDES CA0081612), adopted 17 April 2015, by the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, prescribed requirements for the discharge of treated wastewater from Nevada County Sanitation District No. 1's Lake of the Pines Wastewater Treatment Plant (Facility) to Magnolia Creek, a water of the United States and a tributary to the Bear River. The Discharger owns and operates the Facility that provides sewerage service for the communities of Lake of the Pines, Darkhorse, and the Cascade Crossing subdivision and serves approximately 6,900 individuals.

On 22 November 2019, Nevada County Sanitation District No. 1 submitted a Notice of Intent and applied for coverage under the General Order for Municipal Wastewater Dischargers That Meet Objectives/Criteria at the Point of Discharge to Surface Water, Order R5-2017-0085-01, NPDES CAG585001 (Municipal General Order). Based on the information in the Notice of Intent, the discharge meets the required conditions for coverage under the Municipal General Order and a Notice of Applicability was issued by the Central Valley Water Board's Executive Officer with an effective date of 1 August 2020. Since regulatory coverage for the discharge of treated wastewater to surface water will be provided under the Municipal General Order, Order R5-2015-0028 is no longer necessary and is hereby rescinded, effective 1 August 2020.

g. **NEVADA COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 1, LAKE WILDWOOD WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT, NEVADA COUNTY, ORDER R5-2015-0029 (NPDES PERMIT CA0077828)**

Waste Discharge Requirements Order R5-2015-0029 (NPDES CA0077828), adopted 17 April 2015, by the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, prescribed requirements for the discharge of treated wastewater from Nevada County Sanitation District No. 1's Lake Wildwood Wastewater Treatment Plant (Facility) to Deer Creek, a water of the United States and a tributary to the Yuba River. The Discharger owns and operates the Facility that provides sewerage service for the communities of Lake Wildwood and Penn Valley and serves approximately 8,100 individuals.

On 22 November 2019, Nevada County Sanitation District No. 1 submitted a Notice of Intent and applied for coverage under the General Order for Municipal Wastewater Dischargers That Meet Objectives/Criteria at the Point of Discharge to Surface Water, Order R5-2017-0085-01, NPDES CAG585001 (Municipal General Order). Based on the information in the Notice of Intent, the discharge meets the required conditions for coverage under the Municipal General Order and a Notice of Applicability was issued by the Central Valley Water Board's Executive Officer with an effective date of 1 August 2020. Since regulatory coverage for the discharge of treated wastewater to surface water will be provided under the Municipal General Order, Order R5-2015-0029 is no longer necessary and is hereby rescinded, effective 1 August 2020.

h. RIVER ISLAND EAST HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, RIVER ISLAND EAST WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY, TULARE COUNTY, WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS ORDER 91-111

Waste Discharge Requirements Order 91-111, adopted on 29 May 1991, prescribes requirements for the discharge from the River Island East Homeowners Association, River Island East Wastewater Treatment Facility (Facility). On 8 December 2017 the River Island East Homeowners Association submitted a Form 200 and Report of Waste Discharge for coverage under State Water Resources Control Board Water Quality Order 2014-0153-DWQ, General Waste Discharge Requirements for Small Domestic Wastewater Treatment Systems (General Order) for the Facility. On 17 March 2020, a Notice of Applicability was issued for the Facility (enrollee number 2014-0153-DWQ-R5328). Therefore, it is appropriate to rescind Waste Discharge Requirements Order 91-111.

i. SAN JOAQUIN REFINING COMPANY, INC., KERN COUNTY, WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS ORDER 91-132

Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) Order No. 91-132, adopted 28 June 1991, prescribes requirements for San Joaquin Refining Company, Inc., (San Joaquin) to discharge nonhazardous refinery wastewater in a single Class V underground injection control well (UIC well). The UIC well currently used for injection disposal by San Joaquin is the WD-1 (API # 03003015) well. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) has determined that the active existing WD-1 injection well and a potential second proposed injection well are Class I wells. USEPA's Class I Non-Hazardous Waste Injection Well, San Joaquin Refining Company Limited, Permit No. R9UIC-CA1-FY16-1 (Permit) was issued to San Joaquin Refining Company Limited on 4 May 2020. Because the existing injection well and the potential second proposed injection well are now regulated by the USEPA Permit, it is appropriate to rescind Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 91-132.

j. STONYBROOK CORPORATION, WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY, KERN COUNTY, WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS ORDER 86-032

Waste Discharge Requirements Order (WDRs) Order 86-032, adopted on 24 January 1986, prescribes waste discharge requirements for the Stonybrook Corporation Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF) to discharge up to 0.028 million

gallons per day of non-disinfected wastewater generated from the National Chavez Center to four unlined ponds. On 9 December 2011, the Stonybrook Corporation completed a "Certificate of Amendment of Articles of Incorporation for The Stonybrook Corporation" changing the corporation's name from The Stonybrook Corporation to the National Chavez Center.

On 10 December 2019, EnviroTech Consultants, Inc. (EnviroTech), on behalf of the National Chavez Center (Discharger), submitted a Report of Waste Discharge (RWD) to address potential coverage of the WWTF under the State Water Resources Control Board Water Quality Order 2014-0153-DWQ, General Waste Discharge Requirements for Small Domestic Wastewater Treatment Systems (General Order). The flows have decreased significantly since the 1980's to about 790 gallons per day. On 13 March 2020, a Notice of Applicability was issued to the National Chavez Center for coverage of the WWTF (referred to in the NOA as the Cesar Chavez National Monument WWTF) under the General Order. The National Chavez Center was assigned enrollee number WQ 2014-0153-R5321. Therefore, it is appropriate to rescind Water Discharge Requirements Order 86-032.

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 XX June 2020.

PATRICK PULUPA, Executive Officer