

**14-15 DECEMBER 2023 BOARD MEETING  
UNCONTESTED AGENDA ITEM**

**AGENDA ITEM: 13**

**SUBJECT:**

The following is a proposed permit amendment for consideration of adoption.

**BOARD ACTION:**

Consideration of NPDES Permit Amendment of Order R5-2022-0006-01 (NPDES PERMIT CAG995002).

**BACKGROUND:**

**WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR LIMITED THREAT DISCHARGES TO SURFACE WATER (LIMITED THREAT GENERAL ORDER), ALL COUNTIES IN THE CENTRAL VALLEY REGION**

The Limited Threat General Order applies to individuals, public agencies, private businesses, and other legal entities discharging limited threat wastewater to waters of the United States within the Central Valley Region. A tentative Order is proposed to amend the Limited Threat General Order to include an enrollment discharge category and an associated fee specific to ambient streamflow augmentation projects. The amendment also proposes minor edits and corrections, consistent with applicable water quality control plans and regulations, including language related to the implementation of Secondary Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs) for protection of the Municipal and Domestic Supply (MUN) beneficial use, temperature criteria in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, dissolved oxygen criteria in water bodies designated as cold freshwater habitat (COLD) and/or spawning, reproduction, and/or early development (SPWN), and the reporting limit for total residual chlorine. The Order also clarifies how toxicity units (TUc) can be expressed when evaluating compliance with the chronic toxicity trigger. Finally, the amendment clarifies Notice of Intent requirements for existing discharges.

The tentative Order was issued for a 30-day public comment period on 6 October 2023 with comments due on 6 November 2023. One comment letter was received from Recology and Tetra Tech requesting minor edits which have been incorporated into the proposed amending order. All other interested persons and agencies have offered no comments.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt the General NPDES Permit Amendment.

**REVIEWS:**

Management Review:	AWL by email (11/20/2023)
Legal Review:	BT by email (11/17/2023)

**BOARD MEETING LOCATION:**

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board  
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