



Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board

July 19, 2024

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Interested Persons

Notice of Public Hearing to Consider the Adoption of a Proposed Amendment of Waste Discharge Requirements for a Transfer of Ownership to Desolation Hotel Hope Valley, Alpine County

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region (Lahontan Water Board) proposes adoption of Board Order No. R6-2024-PROP (Order) to amend Board Order Nos. R6T-2004-0028, R6T-2004-0028A1, and Monitoring and Reporting Program No. R6T-2004-0028A1 for the Transfer of Ownership of Waste Discharge Requirements for the site formerly known as Sorensen’s Resort located at 14255 CA-88 in Hope Valley, California. The resort was sold to Tahoe Stateline Enterprises, LLC (Discharger) in 2019 and has since been renamed to the Desolation Hotel Hope Valley.

The proposed Order updates the existing Waste Discharge Requirements to reflect the new facility name and Discharger. No other changes are proposed at this time. Wastewater treatment and disposal will continue to be provided onsite via an existing treatment plant and leach field with the option to discharge to the South Tahoe Public Utility District’s export pipeline when treated effluent quality meets the specified permit limits.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lahontan Water Board will hold a public hearing to receive public comments and consider adoption of the proposed Order.

This notice also sets forth the procedures and processes the Lahontan Water Board will use at this proceeding and contains important deadlines. The Lahontan Water Board will hold a public hearing and consider adoption of the Order, as follows:

DATE: August 20, 2024
TIME: 9:00 AM (start time)
PLACE: Lahontan Water Board Annex, Hearing Room
971 Silver Dollar Avenue, South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

and

Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency
6500 W Ave N Palmdale, CA 93551

DR. AMY HORNE, CHAIR | MICHAEL R. PLAZIAK, PG, EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Video and Teleconference Option: This meeting will occur with both the physical meeting locations described above and an option for the public to participate from a remote location.

This public meeting is currently scheduled to take place in-person and via video and teleconference, but the format may be changed in the future. Any person wishing to obtain information about changes to the date, time, location, or format of the meeting should visit the Board's website:

(https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/lahontan/board_info/remote_meeting/).

The final meeting agenda will be available on the Board's website at least 10 days before the meeting. The agenda will provide the location and format of the meeting, the anticipated date the hearing will be held for this item, and the anticipated order of all agenda items; however, the Board may consider agenda items out of their listed order. The agenda materials may also include staff revisions to the proposed order.

Advanced Zoom registration is required to participate telephonically or by computer.

The deadline to submit a Virtual Speaker Card is **August 16, 2024**. Procedures for viewing and/or participating in the hearing, including for submitting Virtual Speaker Cards for individuals who want to provide oral comments are available on the Lahontan Water Board's website

(https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/lahontan/board_info/remote_meeting/) and are also available in the agenda for the meeting or by contacting the Lahontan Water Board's office. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to the Lahontan Water Board at (530) 542-5400.

Participants in this proceeding are identified as either "Parties" or "Interested Persons." Designation as a Party is not necessary to participate in this proceeding. Both Interested Persons and Parties will have the opportunity to present oral comments. Both Interested Persons and Parties may be asked to respond to clarifying questions from the Lahontan Water Board members, counsel, or staff, or others, at the discretion of the of the Board.

Parties to the hearing may present evidence. The Board meetings do not generally require the prior identification of witnesses, the cross examination of witnesses, or other procedures not specified in this notice. Parties or persons with special procedural requests should contact staff, who will endeavor to accommodate reasonable requests.

Interested persons include any person or organization that is interested in the outcome of the hearing, but who has not been designated as a party. Interested persons may present oral comments at the hearing, but they may not present evidence. Oral comments include policy statements and/or arguments about the appropriateness, wisdom, or utility of the proposal before the Lahontan Water Board. Interested persons are not subject to cross-examination and may not cross-examine witnesses.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Lahontan Water Board meeting. Oral comments should avoid repeating previous comments to allow all persons time to be heard. Interested persons with similar concerns or opinions are encouraged to choose one representative to speak and are encouraged to coordinate their presentations with each other. Oral comments will be limited to five (5) minutes each. Any person may ask for additional time for their oral comment by sending a request with a justification supporting the request and the requested amount of time to the Board Clerk, Katrina Fleshman at RB6-Lahontan@waterboards.ca.gov or by contacting her directly at (530) 542-5414 by 5:00 p.m. **by August 12, 2024**. Please indicate in the subject line "Desolation Hotel WDRs Board Order Transfer".

Interested persons requesting additional time will be advised prior to the date of the hearing of the amount of time they will be allocated. The decision to grant or deny additional time will be based upon the complexity and the number of issues under consideration, the extent to which entities and persons have coordinated, the number of interested persons anticipated, the extent to which entities and persons have identified unique interests, and the time available for the hearing. It is the Lahontan Water Board's intent that reasonable requests be accommodated.

Participants requesting to use a PowerPoint presentation during the oral comment at the public hearing must email the file, in .ppt format, to RB6-Lahontan@waterboards.ca.gov with a copy to katrina.fleshman@waterboards.ca.gov, and be received by 5:00 p.m. on **August 12, 2024**. Please indicate in the subject line "Desolation Hotel WDRs Board Order Transfer".

Document Availability: The proposed Order and corresponding information will be included in the Agenda for the Board Meeting and available no later than 10 days before the meeting at the following website:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/lahontan/board_info/agenda/2024_schedule.html

The Lahontan Water Board requested review and written comment from interested persons of the Tentative Order, which can be viewed at the Lahontan Water Board's webpage: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/lahontan/board_decisions/tentative_orders/. The public written comment period closed on April 15, 2024. No public written comments were received.

Copies of any documents can also be obtained by contacting the Lahontan Water Board's office at (530) 542-5400 or visiting the office at 2501 Lake Tahoe Blvd., South Lake Tahoe weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

The Procedures Governing Lahontan Water Board Meetings (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/) may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Lahontan Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq.

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Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to send an email to Lahontan@waterboards.ca.gov with the subject line "Special accommodation for Board Meeting" or call (530) 542-5400 at least five working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or by voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Questions regarding the Order may be directed to Kristin Tokheim at the Lahontan Water Board via phone at (530) 542-5480 or email at kristin.tokheim@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



Kristin Tokheim, P.E.
Water Resource Control Engineer
Regulatory and Enforcement Unit

cc: Desolation Hotel Hope Valley Mailing List