

**REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
SAN DIEGO REGION**

**EXECUTIVE OFFICER SUMMARY REPORT  
November 18, 2020**

**ITEM NO. 6**

**SUBJECT**

Consideration of Tentative Order No. R9-2020-0186, *An Order Rescinding Order No. 95-15, Waste Discharge Requirements for Mr. Angelo Forte, Anza Pines Mobile Park, Near Cahuilla, Riverside County* (Tentative Order No. R9-2020-0186). (Sherrie Komeilyan)

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Adoption of Tentative Order No. R9-2020-0186 is recommended.

**KEY ISSUES**

Tentative Order No. R9-2020-0186 (**Supporting Document 1**), if adopted, rescinds Order No. 95-15, *Waste Discharge Requirements for Mr. Angelo Forte, Anza Pines Mobile Park, Near Cahuilla, Riverside County* (Order No. 95-15). The onsite wastewater treatment systems (OWTS) at the Anza Pines Mobile Park (Facility), owned and operated by Mr. Angelo Forte (Discharger), will be regulated by the County of Riverside under the *Local Agency Management Plan for Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems* (LAMP).<sup>1</sup>

**PRACTICAL VISION**

Tentative Order No. R9-2020-0186 is consistent with the Strategizing for Healthy Waters chapter of the *San Diego Water Board Practical Vision*.<sup>2</sup> Working as partners with county government helps the San Diego Water Board focus staff resources on larger projects and facilities within the region that pose a greater threat to water quality.

**DISCUSSION**

The Facility is located at 53651 Highway 371, SP#53, Anza, in Riverside County (**Supporting Document 2**). San Diego Water Board staff conducted an inspection of the Facility OWTS on February 5, 2020, and did not observe any violations of the requirements specified in Order No. 95-15.

San Diego Water Board staff reviewed the requirements specified in Order No. 95-15 and the Discharger's annual monitoring reports and determined the Facility's OWTS is

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<sup>1</sup> County of Riverside LAMP: <https://www.rivcoeh.org/Portals/0/PDF/Land-Use/LAMP.pdf?ver=2018-12-05-133532-290>

<sup>2</sup> Practical Vision: [https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/water\\_issues/programs/practical\\_vision/docs/PV-WQCC\\_Version.pdf](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/water_issues/programs/practical_vision/docs/PV-WQCC_Version.pdf)

eligible for oversight by the County of Riverside under the LAMP. The purpose of the LAMP is to allow the continued use of OWTS within the jurisdiction of local agencies and expand the local program to permit and regulate alternative OWTS while protecting water quality and public health. Furthermore, Order No. 95-15 is outdated and is not as protective of water quality as the County of Riverside LAMP which was developed in accordance with the State Water Resources Control Board's *Water Quality Control Policy for Siting, Design, Operation and Maintenance of Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems* (OWTS Policy). The OWTS Policy establishes a statewide, risk-based, tiered approach for regulation and management of OWTS installations and replacements, and recognizes the effectiveness of local permitting agencies. The OWTS Policy allows local agencies to approve OWTS, based on a local ordinance, after the Regional Water Quality Control Board approves the LAMP. The San Diego Water Board approved the County of Riverside LAMP on November 17, 2016.

The San Diego Water Board notified the County of Riverside Department of Environmental Health on April 23, 2020, that the Facility's OWTS is eligible for regulation under the authority of the County of Riverside's LAMP. On September 1, 2020, the County of Riverside notified the San Diego Water Board that it will maintain oversight of the Facility's OWTS under the authority of the County of Riverside's LAMP. While the Discharger may request to be regulated under individual waste discharge requirements, the Facility's transfer to the County of Riverside allows the San Diego Water Board to effectively and efficiently regulate OWTS that pose a great threat to water quality, while prioritizing its limited resources.

### **SIGNIFICANT CHANGES**

The significant differences between the County of Riverside's LAMP and Order No. 95-15 are:

1. The Facility will no longer need to submit monitoring reports or pay fees to the State Water Resources Control Board.
2. The Facility will be required to submit all waste pumping records and proposed OWTS upgrades to the County of Riverside.

### **COMPLIANCE RECORD**

The San Diego Water Board issued three staff enforcement letters and three Cleanup and Abatement Orders for the following violations of Order No. 95-15:

- Failure to analyze samples at the required frequency in April 2002.
- Failure to submit the 2001 and 2002 Annual Monitoring Reports.

Since the issuance of a Staff Enforcement Letter in March 2003, no violations of Order No. 95-15 have occurred.

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notification of this action was sent to the Discharger and known interested parties on September 17, 2020 (**Supporting Documents 3 and 4**). Additionally, the San Diego Water Board posted Tentative Order No. R9-2020-0186 on its website on September 17, 2020. No comments were received during the public comment period. These actions satisfy the 30-day public notification and comment period requirements of Water Code section 13167.5.

## **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

1. Tentative Order No. R9-2020-0186
2. Vicinity and Facility Map
3. Tentative Order No. R9-2020-0186 Transmittal Letter
4. Notice of Public Hearing and Comment Period