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EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

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The Executive Officer (EO) of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region (Regional Water Board) hereby provides the following report on recent staff activities in the region:

LAND DISPOSAL – WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS PROGRAM

Notices of Violation/Noncompliance: One (1) Notice of Violation (NOV) was issued to a Discharger for violations of Waste Discharge Requirements.

- Phonekeo Soundara, Anza Property Trust subject to General Order 2019-0001-DWQ, was issued a NOV on January 3, 2022, Anza, Riverside County. [*Zak Owens, EG*]

Notices of Termination: Four (4) Notices of Termination (NOT) were issued to Dischargers for various facilities:

- Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, Indian Canyon North Golf Course was issued an NOT to terminate enrollment in General Order 97-700 for Recycled Water for Golf Course and Landscape Irrigation, on January 24, 2022, Palm Springs, Riverside County. [*Courtney Chin, SA*]
- Hi-Desert Medical Center, Hi-Desert Continuing Care was issued an NOT to terminate enrollment in General Order 97-500 for On-Site Subsurface Wastewater Disposal Systems on February 15, 2022, Joshua Tree, San Bernardino County. [*Courtney Chin, SA*]
- Sutton Morgan, Imperial Gold, LLC was issued an NOT to terminate enrollment in General Order 2019-0001-DWQ for General Waste Discharge Requirements and Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Waste Associated with Cannabis Cultivation Activities, on February 24, 2022, Brawley, Imperial County. [*Zak Owens, EG*]
- Jesse Burstein, Arbata, LLC was issued an NOT to terminate enrollment in General Order 2019-0001-DWQ for General Waste Discharge Requirements and Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Waste Associated with Cannabis Cultivation Activities, on February 24, 2022, Desert Hot Springs, Riverside County. [*Zak Owens, EG*]

UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK (UST) AND SITE CLEANUP PROGRAM (SCP)

Regional Water Board staff continues to work with staff from the Department of Defense (DOD) to expedite ongoing activities at cleanup sites located at military facilities within the Colorado River Basin region. The UST and SCP staff issued correspondence reviewing technical reports, requesting site access, providing direction for site assessment, and approving remedial action plans for sites currently in the assessment and cleanup process. The following table lists the correspondence regarding DoD, UST

and SCP projects issued in January and February 2022.

Date	Subject	Site	Staff
January 3, 2022	Identified Deficiencies Requiring Response - Revised Workplan for Additional Remediation and Pilot Test	USA Gasoline Station #294, 525 East Fifth Street, Holtville, Imperial County; Global ID No. T0602599293	Theresa Illare, Environmental Scientist
January 7, 2022	Rescission of Notice of Responsibility Issued Pursuant to 23 California Code of Regulations Section 2720 (Dated December 2, 2021)	Exxon/Mobil Oil Company, 2106 Winterhaven Drive, Winterhaven, CA, Imperial County; Global ID No. T10000013251 (APN 603-220-038-0000)	Theresa Illare, Environmental Scientist
January 19, 2022	Conceptual Site Model	Former Unocal/Geothermal Energy and Mineral Corporation (GEMCOR) Facility, 950 West Lindsey Road, Calipatria, Imperial County; GeoTracker Global ID No. T10000006199, Cleanup and Abatement Order (CAO) No. R7-2011-0006	Phan Le, Water Resource Control Engineer
January 24, 2022	Draft Monitoring Well and Soil Vapor Extraction System Destruction Report, Underground Storage Tank Site 8	Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center Twentynine Palms, Twentynine Palms California, GeoTracker ID No T060719846	Jessica Bagby, Engineering Geologist
January 24, 2022	Response to Comments Regarding the Draft Work Plan Site Inspection for Basewide Investigation of Per-and Polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS)	Naval Air Facility El Centro (NAF El Centro), El Centro, California, GeoTracker ID No DOD 100308000	Jessica Bagby, Engineering Geologist

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February 1, 2022	Response to Remedial Activity Summary Report and a Work Plan Requirement Pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 25296.10, Corrective Action Requirements	McDonald's Restaurant - Rebuild Project (Site ID No. 40796), 105 West Main Street, Brawley, Imperial County; GeoTracker Global ID No. T10000012309	Phan Le, Water Resource Control Engineer
February 7, 2022	Draft Spring 2021 Semiannual Long-Term Monitoring, Landfill Inspection, and Maintenance Report for Installation Restoration Sites 1 and 2	Naval Air Facility El Centro, El Centro, California, GeoTracker ID Nos: DOD100312800 and DOD100317400	Jessica Bagby, Engineering Geologist
February 9, 2022	Response to the Additional Site Assessment Report, Pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 25296.10 Corrective Action	Calipatria Queen Market 7788, 101 East Main Street, Calipatria, Imperial County; GeoTracker Global ID No. T10000011602	Phan Le, Water Resource Control Engineer
February 10, 2022	Approval of Request for Extension Pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 25296.10; Corrective Action Requirements	Ten Four Corporation Property, 1621 N Street, Needles, CA, San Bernardino County; Global ID No. T0607192343 (APN 0185-085-31-0000)	Theresa Illare, Environmental Scientist
February 10, 2022	Approval of Time Extension Request for Submittal of Corrective Action Plan (CAP)	Above Ground Storage Tanks (ASTs), SoCo Bulk Plant, 815 K Street, Brawley, Imperial County, GeoTracker Global ID No. T10000012312	Phan Le, Water Resource Control Engineer
February 14, 2022	Request for Extension	Lucerne Valley Garage, 31685 Highway 18, Lucerne Valley, San	Theresa Illare, Environmental

Date	Subject	Site	Staff
		Bernardino County; Global ID No. T0607100998, APN 0451-121-15-0000	Scientist
February 17, 2022	Response to "Transmissivity Test Work Plan"	Chevron Station No. 306573, 324 Imperial Avenue, Calexico, (CRWQCB I.D. # 7t2 231 021, Global I.D. No. T0602520155)	Kola Olatunbosun, Water Resource Control Engineer
February 18, 2022	Approval of Interim Remedial Action Plan and Workplan for Additional Site Assessment, Pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 25296.10 Corrective Action	Mann Company ,1313 Main Street, Brawley, Imperial County, GeoTracker Global ID No. T10000015656	Phan Le, Water Resource Control Engineer
February 23, 2022	Request for Access Agreement, 31775 Highway 18, Lucerne Valley, Ca 92356, APN 045125150000, Nearby Property East of the Leaking Underground Storage Tank Case Located at 31685 Highway 18	Former Lucerne Valley Garage, 31685 Highway 18, Lucerne Valley, Ca 92356, APN 0451121150000 San Bernardino County, GeoTracker Global ID No. T0607100998, EAR R20-216	Theresa Illare, Environmental Scientist
February 28, 2022	Approval of Time Extension Request for Submittal of Additional Site Investigation Work Plan	Riverland RV Resort, Aboveground Storage Tank (AST) Facility, 3401 Parker Dam Road, Earp, San Bernardino County; GeoTracker Global ID No. T10000002077, BLM No. CAAZCA26035	Phan Le, Water Resource Control Engineer

NPDES PROGRAM

401 Water Quality Certifications (Dredge or Fill Discharge): The following table shows the certifications that the Colorado River Basin Water Board issued in December 2021. The certifications listed were in addition to the waste discharge requirements adopted by the Regional Water Board. *[Kai Dunn, Senior WRCE, Logan Raub, Environmental Scientist, Fatima Alrahem, WRCE]*

Issuance Date	Applicant	Project	WDID#
1/5/2022	City of Calexico	New River Improvement Project - Calexico Reach	7A133166001
2/1/2022	Westside Canal Battery Storage, LLC	Westside Canal Battery Storage Project	7A132168001
2/4/2022	County of Riverside Transportation Department	Thousand Palms Canyon Road Widening Project	7B333036001
2/22/2022	Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas)	Line 2001/1030 Pipeline Maintenance - Anomaly Repair/Replacement Project	7A333239001

Table 1: Mandatory Minimum Penalty Status

No.	Facility	Violation Description	Assessed Penalty	Settlement Offer Date	Waiver Received Date	Public Notice Issuance Date	Comment Due Date	EO Execution Date	Number of MMPs
1	Calexico WWTP	Bacteria Indicator & Oil/Grease violations	\$6,000 *\$87,000	2/13/19 *11/06/19	3/12/19 *12/05/19	3/13/19	4/11/19 *12/05/19 In settlement discussion		2 *29
2	Seeley CWD	Bacteria indicator & Free Cyanide	\$27,000 *\$39,000	8/11/2021 *9/2/21	9/8/21 *9/23/21		*Discharger agreed to settlement discussion		9 *13
3	Holtville WWTP	Copper & Ammonia	\$15,000	11/10/2021	12/9/21				5
	TOTAL:		\$48,000 *\$126,000						16 *42

*Revised

Unaddressed Violations Subject to Mandatory Minimum Penalties (January 2022)

No. of Facilities	No. of Violations
6	26

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