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CENTRAL COAST REGION

SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET #2 FOR REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 3, 2012

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ITEM NUMBER: 16

SUBJECT: Revision of Waste Discharge Requirements, Reissuance of National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit No. CA0049981 for the City of Salinas Municipal Storm Water Discharges, Monterey County, Order No. R3-2012-0005

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This Supplemental Sheet provides supplemental information for the Staff Report for the Central Coast Water Board staff recommendation to adopt the Salinas Municipal Stormwater Permit (Draft Order No. R3-2012-0005). This supplemental information includes changes to the Fact Sheet for Draft Order No. R3-2012-0005 (Fact Sheet) to address a comment received from USEPA. These changes simply serve to clarify language in the Fact Sheet but do not change the requirements, or interpretation of those requirements as proposed in the permit.

Minor Revisions to the Fact Sheet for Draft Order No. R3-2012-0005 to Address a Comment Received from USEPA

USEPA asked for minor revisions to Section 9 of the Fact Sheet discussion for Provision P, in order to better clarify that stormwater discharge pollutant concentrations in excess of receiving water quality standards may constitute a violation of receiving water quality standards. In response to the comment from USEPA, this Supplemental Sheet proposes the following changes (shown in underline and strikeout format):

1. The ~~fourth~~^{third} and ~~fifth~~^{fourth} sentences of the fourth paragraph of Section 9 of the Fact Sheet for Provision P, located on page 156 of the Fact Sheet (Attachment 4 of the Staff Report for Item 16), is changed to read:

Over the same period, orthophosphate levels exceeded the concentration associated with receiving water quality criteria in 90% of all urban stormwater discharges sampled within the Permit coverage area, and fecal coliform levels exceeded the concentration associated with receiving water quality criteria in 100% of all urban stormwater discharges sampled. While nitrate levels did not exceed the concentration associated with receiving water quality criteria in any urban stormwater discharges sampled over the same period, various data analyses have reached conflicting conclusions about whether the Permittee's stormwater discharges are contributing to increased nitrate levels downstream of the Permit coverage area.

2. The first sentence of the last paragraph of Section ~~8~~⁹ of the Fact Sheet for Provision P, located on page 15~~4~~⁷ of the Fact Sheet (Attachment 4 of the Staff Report for Item 16) is deleted.

~~A stormwater discharge containing a pollutant in a concentration exceeding the concentration associated with a Water Quality Standard is not presumed to constitute an exceedance of the Water Quality Standard for that pollutant.~~