

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

ORDER NO. R5-2013-0015

RESCISSION OF CEASE AND DESIST ORDER 5-00-111
FOR
RICHVALE SANITARY DISTRICT
BUTTE COUNTY

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, (hereafter referred to as "Central Valley Water Board") finds that:

1. The Richvale Sanitary District (Discharger) owns and operates a wastewater treatment plant. The Discharger is regulated under Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 94-361, adopted on 9 December 1994.
2. On 16 June 2000, the Central Valley Water Board adopted Cease and Desist Order (CDO) No. 5-00-111 for the Richvale Sanitary District wastewater treatment plant. The CDO provided a timeline and required full compliance with WDR Order No. 94-361, specifically to address chronic lack of freeboard in the pond system, and excessive inflow and infiltration (I&I).
3. Since 2001, the Discharger has completed a number of tasks to achieve compliance with WDR Order No. 94-361 and CDO 5-00-111. In 2001, the Discharger installed a new flow meter which records more accurate flow measurements; reshaped pond levees in 2005; excavated and reshaped pond levees in 2007; dozed, reshaped, and compacted pond levees in 2009; and replaced collection lines to reduce I&I between 2000 and 2011.
4. On 24 October 2011, Central Valley Water Board staff received notification that the Discharger has fully complied with WDR Order No. 94-361 and CDO 5-00-111.
5. The Central Valley Water Board has notified the Discharger and interested agencies and persons of its intent to rescind Order No. 5-00-111, and has provided them with an opportunity for a public hearing and an opportunity for them to submit their written views and recommendations.
6. Issuance of this Order is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code section 21000 et seq.), in accordance with California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15321(a)(2).
7. The Central Valley Water Board, in a public meeting, heard and considered all comments and evidence pertaining to this matter.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Cease and Desist Order No. 5-00-111 is rescinded.

I, PAMELA C. CREEDON, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, on 1 February 2013.

Original signed by

PAMELA C. CREEDON, Executive Officer