

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

ORDER NO. R5-2008-_____

RESCISSION OF
CLEANUP AND ABATEMENT ORDER NO. R5-2006-0111
FOR
COFFEE PETROLEUM, INC.
COFFEE LEASE
ROUND MOUNTAIN OIL FIELD, KERN COUNTY

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, (hereinafter Regional Water Board) finds that:

1. The Regional Water Board adopted Cleanup and Abatement Order No. R5-2006-0111 (CAO) on 26 October 2006. The CAO was issued to Coffee Petroleum, Inc. (hereinafter Discharger), which owns and operates crude oil production wells on the Coffee Lease in the Round Mountain Oil Field, approximately six miles northeast of the City of Bakersfield.
2. Four unlined surface impoundments (sumps) were previously used for the disposal of non-hazardous oilfield production wastewater by evaporation and percolation.
3. The CAO was issued because the Discharger was in violation of the *Interim Water Quality Control Policy for Ground and Surface Waters in the Poso Creek Subarea* (Resolution No. 71-122) and the *Water Quality Control Plan for the Tulare Lake Basin, Second Edition – 1995* (Basin Plan) for discharging wastewater with salinity levels exceeding the numerical salinity limitations prescribed in Resolution No. 71-122 and the Basin Plan.
4. The Discharger has complied with the actions required by the CAO by ceasing the discharge of wastewater to the sumps and closing the sumps. The CAO required and the Discharger has submitted a Compliance Plan, Compliance Report, Sump Closure Plan, and Closure Certification Report. All wastewater is conveyed to a Class II injection disposal well permitted by the California Division of Oil, Gas, and Geothermal Resources.
5. The 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 Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15321.
6. The Discharger and interested agencies and persons were notified of the intent to consider rescission of the CAO and provided an opportunity for public hearing and an opportunity to submit their written views and recommendations.

Any person adversely affected by this action of the Regional Water Board may petition the State Water Resources Control Board (State Board) to review the action. The petition must be received by the State Board Office of the Chief Counsel, P.O. Box 100, Sacramento, CA, 95812-0100, within 30 days of the date on which the action was taken. Copies of the law and regulations applicable to filing petitions will be provided on request.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Cleanup and Abatement Order No. R5-2006-0111 be rescinded.

