

# CENTRAL VALLEY REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD

## INSPECTION REPORT

**DATE:** 26 April 2012  
**FACILITY:** Del Mar Farms  
**LOCATION & COUNTY:** JT Crow Road, Stanislaus County  
**INSPECTION DATE:** 23 April 2012  
**INSPECTED BY:** Terry Bechtel and Scott Perrou, CVRWQCB

### OBSERVATIONS AND COMMENTS:

On 23 April 2012, we conducted a follow-up inspection to confirm that the installation of the drip system at the Del Mar Farms cropland described in the May 19, July 6, and July 19 2011 discharge staff inspections. While the majority of the system is underground, staff did observe indications that the drip system had been installed. We could not see pumps or filter systems, but they may yet to be completed, or may be back in the interior of the property that we could not see from the road. In addition, we saw a number of posted signs at the property stating that the irrigation system had been paid for in part the Water Board.



Follow-up in the office on 25 April found that the project was funded by the Proposition 84 Agricultural Water Quality Grant Program via CURES. The original applications were submitted by the land owners, and then consolidated by Del Mar Farms. The grant was applied for in August 2011, and completed and paid in March 2012. The total project cost listed in the CURES Invoice was \$474,891.94. The matching grant was \$237,445.97.

### SUMMARY:

The drip system appeared to be installed. A Proposition 84 matching grant had been applied for and approved. The grant project was completed and matching grant funds paid.

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Photo 1: May 19, 2011 - Supply water to the field.

Photo 2: April 23, 2012 – Same location as Photo 1. A portion of the drip system can be seen. This was the supply source for the May 19 and July 19, 2011 events.



Photo 3: May 19 2011 - Field discharge.

Photo 4: July 19, 2011 – Field drain.



Photo 5: April 23, 2012 – Same location as Photo 3 and 5 (May 19 and July 19 discharges). The sign can be seen in the right center of the photo.

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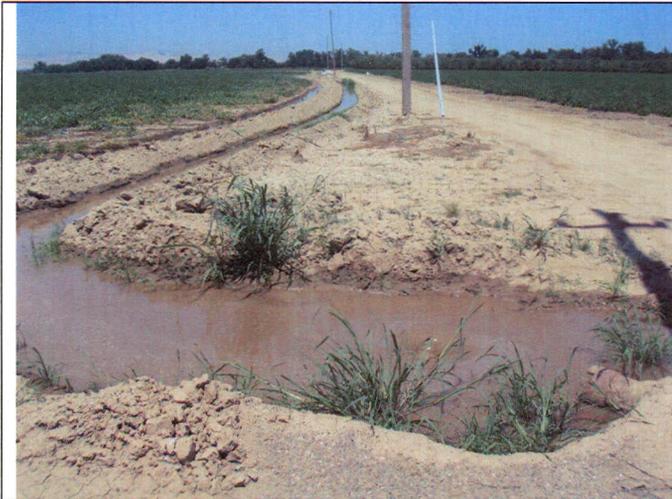


Photo 6: July 6, 2011 discharge location.

Photo 7: April 23, 2012. Same location as Photo 6.

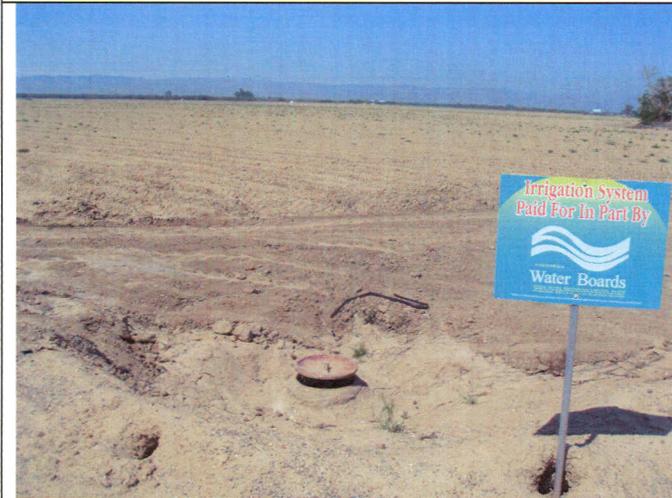


Photo 8: April 23, 2012 – Portions of the drip line were observed. Field drains are still there. The underground drip system is anticipated to mitigate the excessive sediment discharges due to irrigation runoff. The drains have valves that can be closed if needed.

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