



Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

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FINAL NOTICE
New Water Quality Regulations Require You to Act Now

Nuevas Regulaciones de Calidad de Aqua Requieren que usted Responde Inmediatamente

(Para obtener más información en español (formularios u otra información), por favor contáctenos al telefono (559) 488-4396 o vía email a: ilrpinfo@waterboards.ca.gov.)

You are receiving this letter because based on information available to us, you own the following parcels with irrigated cropland subject to the new regulations:

Table with 5 columns and 5 rows. Header: Parcel numbers:
Row 1: 042-360-04S
Row 2: 042-380-17S
Row 3: 043-020-10S
Row 4: (empty)
Row 5: (empty)

If you are the owner of commercial irrigated lands and you are NOT currently a member of a Third-party (Coalition), you have three options:

- 1. Join a Third-party Group (Coalition) by 19 May 2014. The Central Valley Water Board worked closely with agricultural and other interests to develop a cost effective program for complying with the State's water quality law. Under the General Order, the landowner, or your tenant, may enroll your irrigated agricultural parcel(s) directly with a Coalition (see next page). To take advantage of this option, you must enroll your parcel(s) with a Coalition by 19 May 2014. After that date, landowners must apply to the Central Valley Water Board to join a Coalition. Additional fees will apply to applications after 19 May 2014 and the board has the discretion to reject the application and regulate the landowner directly. If you own irrigated cropland within multiple Coalition areas you will need to enroll your lands with each appropriate Coalition. This letter relates to parcels that are located within the Kings River Watershed Coalition Authority coverage area.
2. Obtain Coverage Under the General Waste Discharge Requirements for Individual Growers. The Central Valley Water Board has adopted general Waste Discharge Requirements for landowners who chose not to join a Coalition group (adopted in May

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2013). Board staff anticipates that costs and requirements will be similar to Option 3 below. However, the process for getting regulatory coverage is simplified with the submission of a Notice of Intent, rather than a report of waste discharge.

3. **Obtain an Individual Permit<sup>1</sup>**. You can apply to have your own individual Waste Discharge Requirements (permit). Depending on the specific site conditions, growers with their own individual WDRs are often required to monitor runoff from their property, install monitoring wells, and submit technical reports regarding their actions to comply with their Waste Discharge Requirements. Costs would include State administrative fees (for example, annual fees for farm sizes from 11-100 acres are currently \$1,084 + \$6.70/acre); cost to prepare a Report of Waste Discharge; and monitoring and reporting costs.

**You do NOT need regulatory coverage under this Order if:**

- Your commercial irrigated lands are covered by the Reissued General Order for Existing Milk Cow Dairies (R5-2013-0122) or NPDES Dairy General Permit CAG015001 (Dairy General Orders). Please notify board staff of your parcels that have Dairy General Order coverage so you do not receive further inquiries from the board regarding regulatory coverage of those parcels (see next page).
- **If your agricultural-zoned property is not used for commercial irrigated agriculture**, please notify board staff so you do not receive further inquiries from the board regarding regulatory coverage under this Order.

If you do not require coverage under the Order and need to be removed from our mailing list, you can call our Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program phone line at (559) 488-4396, or e-mail board staff at [ilrpinfo@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:ilrpinfo@waterboards.ca.gov). If you responded to the prior notice issued in January or February 2014, you may disregard this letter.

**KINGS RIVER WATERSHED COALITON AUTHORITY**

To join the Kings River Watershed Coalition Authority (Kings River Water Quality Coalition) in the Tulare Lake Basin Area, complete and submit the attached Kings River Water Quality Coalition New Membership Application to the following address:

Kings River Water Quality Coalition  
PO Box 8259  
Fresno, CA 93747

**To get more information about this new requirement, contact the Kings River Water Quality Coalition at (559) 365-7958.** You may also visit the Kings River Water Quality Coalition website at <http://www.kingsriverwqc.org/> for general Coalition information.



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<sup>1</sup>The form for completing the Application (referred to as a Form 200 - Report of Waste Discharge) can be found online at: [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/publications\\_forms/forms/docs/form200.pdf](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/publications_forms/forms/docs/form200.pdf). You may be requested by the Executive Officer to submit additional information to supplement the data provided in Form 200.