

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
concerning

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ORDER R5-2005-0040
MASTER RECLAMATION PERMIT

FOR

CITY OF LINCOLN
PLACER COUNTY

The City of Lincoln (hereafter Discharger) owns and operates a wastewater treatment plant and provides sewerage service to the City of Lincoln. Master Reclamation Permit, Order R5-2005-0040 (NPDES No. CA0085103), authorizes the reclamation of treated wastewater to irrigate rice fields and fodder crops, and allows for other uses of the reclaimed water. The Master Reclamation Permit also allows discharges to surface water resulting from irrigation of rice fields. Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board staff, however, has determined that the irrigation of rice fields and tail waters from those fields are already regulated under the California Water Code and by the Board's Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program. Therefore, the rescission of the NPDES permit requirements within Order R5-2005-0040 is proposed.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Water Board meeting, which is scheduled for:

DATE: 7/8 June 2012
TIME: 8:30 AM
PLACE: Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region
11020 Sun Center Dr., Suite #200
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

- City of Lincoln

Only designated parties will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to introduce exhibits; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. All other persons wishing to testify or provide comments are interested persons and not designated parties. Such interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **20 February 2012**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and, in particular, how the person is directly affected by the discharge.

The tentative Order was issued on 19 January 2012. Persons wishing to comment on the noticed hearing item must submit testimony, evidence, and/or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than 5:00 p.m. on

20 February 2012. Comments must be limited to the scope of the tentative amendment addressing rescission of the NPDES requirements. Written evidence or comments submitted after 5:00 p.m. on **20 February 2012** and/or outside the scope of the proposed item will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Central Valley Water Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Board Chair.

Anyone having questions regarding the tentative Order should contact Ms. Elizabeth Thayer at (916) 464-4671 or ethayer@waterboards.ca.gov. Interested parties may download the tentative Order and related documents from the Central Valley Water Board's Internet website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/. Copies of these documents may also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley Water Board's office at 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. **The final meeting agenda will be available at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/ at least 10 days before the meeting. The agenda will provide the specific date the Board Meeting will be held for this item, indicate the anticipated order of all agenda items, and may include staff revisions to the proposed order(s).**

The procedures governing Central Valley Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Central Valley Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/. Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Central Valley Water Board's website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml or by contacting any one of the Central Valley Water Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzarda at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzarda at (916) 464-4839 at least five working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who may be interested in this matter.

Original Signed by Diana Messina for

Kenneth D. Landau, Assistant Executive Officer

19 January 2012