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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

IN RE: USFS – Wheeler Gorge Campground
6755 Hollister Avenue, Suite 150
Goleta, CA 93117

TO: Ken Heffner
Forest Supervisor

SYSTEM NO.: 5601716

CITATION NO.: 04_06_15C_010_5601716_25

CITATION

Section 116650 of Chapter 4, Part 12, Division 104 of the California Health and Safety Code (H&S Code), authorizes the issuance of a citation for failure to comply with the requirements of the California Safe Drinking Water Act, or any regulation, standard, permit or order issued thereunder.

VIOLATION

The State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water, (hereinafter Division) hereby issues a citation to the USFS – Wheeler Gorge Campground (hereinafter USFS-WGC), for the following violations:

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1. Sections 64423 & 64424, Title 22, CCR. Specifically, in April, 2015, the USFS-WGC failed to collect the required number of repeat samples following a positive routine distribution total coliform result during the month of April 2015. In addition, during the month of May 2015, one sample was collected instead of the required five samples, following a positive sample in the previous month.

| Date | Site | Results |
|------------|---------|--|
| 04/07/2015 | Site 29 | Total Coliform Present; E. Coli Absent |
| | | |
| 05/06/2015 | Site 29 | Total Coliform Absent |

BACKGROUND

The USFS-WGC serves up to four full time occupants and up to 500 campers on weekends during the summer. The USFS-WGC water supply is obtained from a spring source that gravity-flows to two tanks that provide 31,000 gallons of storage. The water in the distribution system is not used for drinking purposes, only hand washing and toilet flushing. The occupants are drinking bottled water. The service connections to the general public have been locked, and signs have been posted that the public is expected to supply their own water.

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DIRECTIVES

The USFS-WGC is hereby directed to take the following actions:

1. Immediately, follow proper TCR routine and repeat sampling/reporting procedures in accordance with Article 3, Title 22, CCR Sections 64423 and 64424.

2. Within 15 days of receipt of this citation, notify the public of the failure to collect and analyze the required number of repeat and routine bacteriological distribution samples during the months of April and May 2015, in conformance with Article 3, Sections 64423 & 64424 CCR, Title 22. The procedure and format must be approved by the Division. A suggested format is attached. Any changes must be reviewed and approved by the Division. The public must be notified by direct mail, or hand delivery, and by using one of the following methods to reach persons not likely to be reached by a mailing or direct delivery (renters, visitors, etc.):
 - a. Posting in conspicuous public places served by the water system or on the Internet.
 - b. Publication in a local newspaper; or
 - c. Delivery to community organizations.

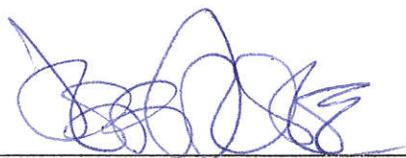
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3. The USFS-WGC is required to provide continuous chlorine disinfection treatment to its spring water supply at all times. A chlorine residual of 0.5 to 1.0 mg/L should be maintained at all times.

4. A copy of the notification and Proof of Public Notification form shall be submitted to:

Jeff Densmore, P.E., District Engineer
Division of Drinking Water
Santa Barbara District
1180 Eugenia Place, Suite 200
Carpinteria, CA 93013-2000

JUNE 24, 2015



Date

Jeff Densmore, P.E., District Engineer
Southern California Section
Santa Barbara District (SWRCB-DDW)

cc: Ventura County Environmental Health
Mr. Adam Furlow, Assistant Forest Engineer
Mr. Charlie Robinson, Ojai District Ranger
Ms. JoAnn Burckman, System Operator



**BACTERIOLOGICAL QUALITY PROCEDURAL FAILURE
PROOF OF NOTIFICATION**

Name of Water System: USFS – Wheeler Gorge Campground

Please explain what caused the problem if you have determined what it was and what steps you have taken to correct it.

Consumers Notified **Yes** **No**

If not, explain: _____

Date of Notification: _____

On the date of notification set forth above, I served the above referenced document(s) on the consumers by:

 Sending a copy through the U.S. Mail, first class, postage prepaid, addressed to each of the resident(s) at the place where the property is situated, pursuant to the California Civil Code.

 Newspaper (if the problem has been corrected).

 Personally hand-delivering a copy to each of the consumers.

 Posted on a public bulletin board, that will be seen by each of the consumers (for small water non community water systems with permission from the Division).

I hereby declare the foregoing to be true and correct under penalty of perjury.

Dated: _____

Signature of Person Serving Notice

Drinking Water Notification to Consumers

****Notice:** Complete this Proof of Notification and return it along with a copy of the notification to the Division within **30 Days** of receiving your notification order.

Disclosure: Be advised that the California Health and Safety Code states that any person who knowingly makes any false statement on any report or document submitted for the purpose of compliance with the attached order may be liable for a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for each separate violation for each day that violation continues. In addition, the violators may be prosecuted in criminal court and upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$25,000 for each day of violation, or be imprisoned in county jail not to exceed one year, or by both the fine and imprisonment.