



**California Regional Water Quality Control Board
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TO: INTERESTED PARTIES AND AGENCIES

FROM: Lauri Kemper, Northern Watersheds Division Manager

**SUBJECT: FOLLOW-UP TO NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE
ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT HEARING
FOR SILVER KING CREEK ROTENONE PROJECT --
ALPINE COUNTY**

As you are aware, the Regional Board considered a proposed NPDES permit for the above-referenced project at the September 8, 2004 Regional Board meeting in South Lake Tahoe. The project involves use of the pesticide rotenone by the Department of Fish and Game (DFG) to eradicate non-native fish from portions of Silver King Creek, as part of efforts to restore the threatened Paiute Cutthroat Trout. After a full public hearing and deliberation, the Regional Board took no action regarding the proposed permit at the meeting. The discharge of rotenone and other chemicals associated with the project is not authorized.

The Regional Board may reconsider the proposed permit or modified version of the permit at a future time, provided that concerns expressed by the Regional Board at the meeting are addressed. If another permit is drafted, you will be notified.

Please contact Alan Miller, Chief, North Lahontan Rural Watersheds Unit at (530) 542-5430, or Jason Churchill, Environmental Scientist, if you have questions regarding this matter.

cc: Banky Curtis, Regional Manager, DFG, Sacramento Valley-Central Sierra Region
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