

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
LAHONTAN REGION**

**MEETING OF MAY 14 & 15, 2008  
Tahoe City**

**ITEM:** 3

**SUBJECT:** RESCISSION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR GOLD COAST POND EXPANSION PROJECT, BOARD ORDER NO. 6-93-53, WDID NO. 6A319201004, PLACER COUNTY

**CHRONOLOGY:**

January 30, 1992	Squaw Valley Ski Corporation (SVSC) submitted a Report of Waste Discharge for the Gold Coast Pond Expansion Project.
April, 8, 1993	Report of Waste Discharge considered complete with the submittal of a Conceptual Mitigation Plan.
June 10, 1993	Water Board adopted Board Order No. 6-93-53 for the Gold Coast Pond Expansion Project.
August 31, 1994	Cleanup and Abatement Order (CAO) No. 6-94-92 issued for violation of Board Order 6-93-53, General Requirement I.D.6: failure to obtain Water Board approval prior to commencement of project and failure to inventory wetlands prior to removal.
July 14, 1995	The Water Board adopted Amended CAO No. 6-94-92A1 to establish an enforceable schedule for completion of required wetlands mitigation.
December 5, 1995	The Water Board adopted Amended CAO No. 6-94-92A2 to require the formulation and implementation of a contingency plan to prevent the threatened discharge of sediment-laden water from the Gold Coast Pond Expansion Project.
March 2, 1998	The Water Board issued revised Monitoring and Reporting Program No. 93-53A1 establishing the required monitoring of mitigation wetlands from June 1998 until at least October 2002
August 26, 2005	SVSC entered into a Consent Agreement with the Water Board which acknowledged the construction of mitigation wetlands and required SVSC to monitor mitigation wetlands in order to determine the success of the mitigation wetlands project.

**ENCLOSURE 1**

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
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FACT SHEET**

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**DISCHARGER NAME:** Squaw Valley Ski Area

**FACILITY TYPE:** Ski Area

**PROJECT NAME:** Gold Coast Pond Expansion

**WDID NO.:** 6A319201004

**LOCATION:** South Fork Squaw Creek, Placer County

**TYPE OF WASTE:** Products of erosion

**PROGRAM:** Waste Discharge Requirements

**TREATMENT FACILITIES:** N/A

**DISPOSAL FACILITIES:** None

**PRESENT FLOW:** N/A

**RECEIVING WATERS:** South Fork Squaw Creek, Truckee River Hydrologic Unit

**BENEFICIAL USES:** Surface water - Municipal and domestic supply (MUN)  
Agricultural supply (AGR)  
Water contact recreation (REC-1)  
Non-water-contact recreation (REC-2)  
Cold freshwater habitat (COLD)  
Wildlife habitat (WILD)  
Ground water recharge (GWR)  
Hydropower generation (POW)  
Freshwater replenishment (FRSH)  
Industrial service supply (IND)  
Rare and endangered species (potential beneficial use) (RARE)

**CEQA COMPLIANCE:** Categorically Exempt, Section 15321. Title 14, California Code of Regulations

**LANDOWNER:** Squaw Valley Ski Corporation

**NEARBY DEVELOPMENT:** Ski Area

**NATURE OF AREA:** Alpine watershed/restored wetland

## **ENCLOSURE 2**

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
LAHONTAN REGION**

**BOARD ORDER NO. R6T-2008- (PROPOSED)**

**RESCISSION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS**

**FOR**

**GOLD COAST POND EXPANSION PROJECT, BOARD ORDER NO. 6-93-53  
WDID 6A319201004**

Placer County

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The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region (Water Board) finds:

Squaw Valley Ski Corporation – Gold Coast Pond Expansion Project

1. On June 10, 1993, the Water Board adopted Board Order No. 6-93-53 prescribing waste discharge requirements for the Squaw Valley Ski Corporation (SVSC) Gold Coast Pond Expansion Project (Project). The Project site is located on the South Fork of Squaw Creek within the Squaw Valley Ski Area in Placer County (Truckee River Hydrologic Unit).
2. Board Order No. 6-93-53 was issued allowing for expanding Gold Coast Pond from 0.25 acres to two acres in surface area, and from three acre-feet to 14 acre-feet in capacity. The Board Order also required assessing the type and extent of wetland losses associated with the Project, and to develop and implement an acceptable wetlands mitigation plan.
3. SVSC did not comply with the waste discharge requirements and Cleanup and Abatement Order (CAO) No. 6-94-92 was issued on August 31, 1994. SVSC did not comply with CAO No. 6-94-92, and these violations were addressed by a Consent Agreement and Stipulation for Entry of Final Judgment (Consent Agreement) that was entered on August 26, 2005.
4. On November 14, 2005, the Water Board rescinded Cleanup and Abatement Order No. 6-94-92, as provided for in the Consent Agreement. On December 20, 2006, the Water Board issued a Final Decision pursuant to the Consent Agreement, documenting that SVSC had complied with all of the Consent Agreement elements related to the Project by completing the required wetlands mitigation monitoring and reporting. The monitoring results demonstrated that the wetlands mitigation projects had satisfied final success criteria, and were self sufficient.
5. SVSC has satisfied waste discharge requirements prescribed by Board Order No. 6-93-53, and has satisfied the relevant Consent Agreement requirements. The Project no longer presents a threat to water quality based upon the monitoring

results submitted pursuant to the Consent Agreement, and Water Board staff inspections. It is therefore not against the public interest to rescind Board Order No. 6-93-53.

6. Rescinding Board Order No. 6-93-53 is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code Section 21000, et seq.) in accordance with Section 15321, Title 14, California Code of Regulations.

It is hereby Ordered that Board Order No. 6-93-53 be rescinded.

I Harold J. Singer, Executive Officer, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region, on May 14, 2008.

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HAROLD J. SINGER  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER