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Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

May 6, 2015

Mr. Chuck Rogers, Plant Superintendent
City of Thousand Oaks
Department of Public Works
9600 Santa Rosa Road
Camarillo, CA 93012

Dear Mr. Rogers:

TENTATIVE AMENDMENT OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS (WDRs)/ NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT – CITY OF THOUSAND OAKS, HILL CANYON WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT (Order No. R4-2014-0064, CI-4917)

The Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) proposes to adopt a narrow amendment of the NPDES permit for the City of Thousand Oaks Hill Canyon Wastewater Treatment Plant (Hill Canyon WWTP). This amendment will update the chronic toxicity requirements and monitoring reporting requirements, consistent with recent NPDES permits adopted by this Regional Water Board for other inland Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTWS).

Enclosed are copies of the following:

1. Tentative Amended Requirements (in underline and strikeout format) consisting of:
   a. Board Order;
   b. Standard Provisions (Attachment D);
   c. Monitoring and Reporting Program (Attachment E);
   d. Fact Sheet (Attachment F);
   e. Generic Toxicity TRE Work Plan (Attachment G);
   f. Pretreatment Reporting Requirements (Attachment H); and,
   g. Biosolids Use and Disposal Requirements (Attachment I).

2. Public Notification consisting of:
   a. Instruction Sheet for Posting Public Notice;
   b. Public Notice; and,
   c. Statement of Posting Notice,

In accordance with administrative procedures, this Board at a public hearing to be held on **July 9, 2015, at 9:00 a.m.**, at the **Metropolitan Water District of Southern California Board Room, 700 North Alameda Street, Los Angeles, California**, will consider the enclosed tentative amended requirements and comments submitted in writing regarding the changes contained within the proposed Tentative Amendment Order. The Board will accept comments only with respect to the proposed changes to the tentative amended requirements marked in underline and strikeout

format. It is expected that the Board will take action at the hearing; however, as testimony indicates, the Board, at its discretion, may order further action by staff. The agenda for the meeting will be posted on the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board's website (http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/board_info/agenda/index.shtml) approximately one week prior to the meeting.

Written comments regarding this Tentative Amended NPDES Order must be received at the Regional Board office by **5:00 p.m. on June 8, 2015**, in order to be evaluated by Board staff and included in the Board's agenda folder. Comments received after that date will not be considered, absent extraordinary circumstances. Timely submittal of written comments is required to ensure that all comments are accurately and fully included in the administrative record, that staff is able to provide timely review, and that Board members have sufficient time to give full consideration to the comments and issues raised.

If you have any questions, please contact Veronica Cuevas at (213) 576-6662 or Cris Morris at (213) 620-2083.

Sincerely,

Cris Morris, P.E., Chief
Municipal Permitting Unit

Enclosures

cc: Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, Permits Branch (WTR-5)
NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service
Department of Interior, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Jennifer Fordyce, State Water Resources Control Board, Office of Chief Counsel
Department of Fish and Game, Region 5
State Coastal Conservancy
California State Parks and Recreation
California Coastal Commission, South Coast Region
Ventura County Watershed Protection
Ventura Coast Keeper
Heal the Bay
Los Angeles Waterkeeper
Natural Resources Defense Council
Environment Now

INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLICANT
FOR
WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS

City of Thousand Oaks
(Hill Canyon Wastewater Treatment Plant)
(NPDES Permit No. CA0056294)

One copy of a notice of public hearing and a Statement of Posting Notice form are enclosed. By **June 8, 2015**, you are directed to comply with one of the following methods of informing the public of your waste discharge:

1. Publish the enclosed Notice of Public Hearing in a daily newspaper or periodical which circulates in the general locality to be affected by the discharge, or

2. Post copies of the enclosed Notice of Public Hearing in conspicuous places near the entrance of the premises and in the locality to be affected by the discharge.

Any expenses arising from the posting or publication of the enclosed public notice shall be borne by the Discharger.

You must file with this office proof of such posting or publication. Proof of posting shall consist of a statement executed on the enclosed form; proof of publication shall consist of an affidavit of the publisher or foreman of the newspaper, with a copy of the notice as published, attached. Proof of posting or publication must be submitted to this Board by **June 15, 2015**.

Cris Morris, P.E., Chief
Municipal Permitting Unit

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
LOS ANGELES REGION

320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200
Los Angeles, California 90013
(213) 576-6600

Public Notice No. 15-023
NPDES No. CA0056294

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT
OF
WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
(NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT)

DISCHARGER	DISCHARGE LOCATION	RECEIVING WATER
City of Thousand Oaks (Hill Canyon Wastewater Treatment Plant)	9600 Santa Rosa Road Camarillo, California	North Fork Arroyo Conejo (tributary to Calleguas Creek)

City of Thousand Oaks owns and operates the Hill Canyon Wastewater Treatment Plant (Hill Canyon WWTP), a publicly owned treatment works (POTW) located at 9600 Santa Rosa Road, Camarillo, California, with a design capacity of 14.0 million gallons per day (MGD).

The Facility discharges tertiary-treated wastewater, from its Hill Canyon WWTP to North Fork Arroyo Conejo, tributary to Calleguas Creek, a water of the United States. The Permittee is regulated under waste discharge requirements contained in Order No. R4-2014-0064, which serves as a permit under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES No. CA0056294) and under Time Schedule Order No. R4-2014-0065. Regional Water Board staff prepared tentative Amendment Order No. R4-2014-0064-AXX for the Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) and NPDES for the Hill Canyon WWTP to update the chronic toxicity requirements and the monitoring reporting requirements, consistent with recent NPDES permits adopted by this Regional Water Board.

On the basis of preliminary staff review and application of lawful standards and regulations, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board), Los Angeles Region, tentatively proposes to issue amended waste discharge requirements, including effluent limitations and special conditions.

PUBLIC HEARING DATE AND LOCATION

The Regional Water Board will hold a public hearing on the tentative amended WDRs during its regular Board meeting on the following date and time and at the following location:

Date: **July 9, 2015**
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Place: **Metropolitan Water District of Southern California Board Room, 700 North Alameda Street, Los Angeles, California**

Interested persons are invited to attend. At the public hearing, the Regional Water Board will hear testimony, if any, pertinent to the discharge, WDRs, and permit. Oral testimony will be heard; however, for accuracy of the record, important testimony should be in writing.
Please be aware that dates and venues may change. Our Web address is http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/ where you can access the current agenda for changes in dates and locations.

SCOPE OF HEARING

The validity of the Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for Calleguas Creek Watershed are not at issue before the Regional Water Board in this proceeding. Evidence or argument that challenges the validity of those requirements, or any aspects of them will not be permitted. The only matter before the Board is the adoption of amended WDRs and permit under the NPDES program to incorporate applicable water quality objectives associated with discharges to the waters of the United States.

AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS

The Report of Waste Discharge (ROWD), other documents relied upon, tentative effluent limitations and special provisions, comments received, and other information are on file are available for inspection and copying between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. by appointment at the following address:

Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board
320 West 4th Street, Suite 200
Los Angeles, CA 90013

Arrangements for file review and/or obtaining copies of the documents may be made by calling the Regional Water Board at (213) 576-6600. Additionally, the agenda, the fact sheet, and the draft order will be available online at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/ under the "Tentative Permits" heading.

The entire file will become a part of the administrative record of this proceeding, irrespective of whether individual documents are specifically referenced during the hearing or contained in the agenda packet. The entire file will not be present in the hearing room. In addition to the materials generated for this proceeding, the file includes the administrative records for the applicable Basin Plan amendments. Should any interested persons desire staff to bring to the hearing any particular documents that are not included in the agenda packet, they must submit a written or electronic request to staff during business hours, not later than five business days before the hearing. The request must identify the documents with enough specificity for staff to locate them.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND SUBMITTAL OF EVIDENCE

Persons wishing to comment on, or object to, the tentative amended waste discharge requirements, or submit evidence for the Board to consider, are invited to submit them in writing to Veronica Cuevas at the above address, or send them electronically to veronica.cuevas@waterboards.ca.gov. The Board will accept comments only with respect to the proposed changes to the tentative amended requirements marked in underline and strikeout format. To be evaluated and responded to by Regional Water Board staff, included in the

Board's agenda folder, and fully considered by the Board, written comments or testimony regarding the tentative must be received no later than **5:00 p.m. on June 8, 2015**. Failure to comply with these requirements is grounds for the Regional Water Board to refuse to admit the proposed written comment or exhibit into evidence pursuant to section 648.4, title 23 of the California Code of Regulations.

HEARING PROCEDURE

The Board meeting, of which this hearing is a part, will start at 9:00 a.m. Interested persons are invited to attend. When the agenda item is called, staff will present the matter under consideration, after which oral statements from parties or interested persons will be heard. For accuracy of the record, all important testimony should be in writing. The Board will include in the administrative record written transcriptions of oral testimony that is actually presented at the hearing. Oral testimony may be limited to five minutes or less for each interested person, depending on the number of interested persons wishing to be heard.

Parties or interested persons with similar concerns or opinions are encouraged to choose one representative to speak and are encouraged to coordinate their presentations with each other. Parties will be advised after the receipt of public comments, but prior to the date of the hearing, of the amount of time each is allocated for presentations. That decision will be based upon the complexity and number of issues under consideration, the extent to which the parties have coordinated, the number of parties and interested persons anticipated, and the time available for the hearing. The parties are invited to contact staff not later than **June 25, 2015**, (two weeks prior to the hearing) to discuss how much time they believe is necessary for their presentations, and staff will endeavor to accommodate reasonable requests. At the conclusion of testimony, the Board will deliberate in open or close session, and render a decision.

The Board does not generally require the prior identification of witnesses, the cross examination of witnesses, or other procedures not specified in this notice. Parties or persons with special procedural requests or requests for alternative hearing procedures should contact staff, who will endeavor to accommodate reasonable requests. Objections to any procedure to be used during this hearing must be submitted in writing no later than close of business 15 business days prior to the date of the hearing. (Any objections related to the amount of time allocated for parties' presentations must be submitted within two business days of notice thereof, if that date is less than 15 business days before the hearing.) Absent such objections, any procedure not specified in this hearing notice will be waived pursuant to section 648(d) of title 23 of the California Code of Regulations. Procedural objections will not be entertained at the hearing.

If there should not be a quorum on the scheduled date of this meeting, all cases will be automatically continued to the next scheduled meeting on **September 10, 2015**. A continuance will not extend any time set forth herein.

STAFF CONTACTS

If you have any question regarding this proposed action, please contact Veronica Cuevas at (213) 576-6662 or via email at veronica.cuevas@waterboards.ca.gov or Cris Morris, P.E., Chief, Municipal Permitting Unit at (213) 620-2083 or via email at cris.morris@waterboards.ca.gov.

Date: May 6, 2015

STATEMENT OF POSTING NOTICE
NPDES NO: CA0056294

REPORT OF WASTE DISCHARGE BY City of Thousand Oaks – Hill Canyon Wastewater Treatment Plant _____
_____ says:
(NAME OF PERSON WHO POSTED COPIES OF NOTICE)

_____,
(INSERT "THAT HE IS THE DISCHARGER" OR "THAT ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE DISCHARGER")

who filed the Report of Waste Discharge with the CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD,_____Region,

_____on the_____day of_____2015,
("AND DID" OR "HE DID")

posted two copies of notice of said report identical to the attached copy.

That he posted one copy of said notice_____
(DESCRIBE HOW AND WHERE

_____

_____
POSTED AS ACCURATELY AS POSSIBLE)

_____

and the other copy of said notice_____
(DESCRIBE HOW AND WHERE

_____
POSTED AS ACCURATELY AS POSSIBLE)

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That each of said copies thus posted occupied a conspicuous place in the locality to be affected by the proposed discharge.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true.

Signed on the_____day of_____,2015, at _____, California.

_____ COMPANY:_____
(SIGNATURE OF PERSON WHO POSTED COPIES OF NOTICE)

TITLE: _____