# CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD LOS ANGELES REGION

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TSO No. R4-2014-0065-A0X

# NOTICE OF PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF AMENDED TIME SCHEDULE ORDER (TSO) FOR WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS

(National Pollutant Discharges Elimination System (NPDES) Permit)

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

The City of Thousand Oaks (hereinafter the City) discharges tertiary-treated wastewater from its Hill Canyon Wastewater Treatment Plant (Hill Canyon WWTP) to the North Fork Arroyo Conejo, tributary to Calleguas Creek, which are waters of the State of California and United States. The discharge is regulated under waste discharge requirements contained in Order No. R4-2014-0064, adopted by this Regional Water Board on May 6, 2014. Order No. R4-2014-0064 serves as a permit under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES No. CA0056294). On May 6, 2014, the Regional Water Board also adopted Time Schedule Order (TSO) No. R4-2014-0065, which prescribed the City interim effluent limits for copper and chloride.

On October 31, 2014, the City requested an extension of the time schedule for chloride in TSO No. R4-2014-0065 beyond the original January 31, 2015 deadline. On January 30, 2015, in response to the City's request, the Executive Officer, pursuant to his delegated authority from the Regional Water Board, and following a thirty-day notice and comment period, adopted TSO No. R4-2014-0065-A01, which extended the time schedule for chloride to December 31, 2016.

On January 19, 2017, the City requested an extension of the time schedule for copper in TSO No. R4-2014-0065-A01, beyond the original March 26, 2017 deadline. The City has been implementing a polymer demonstration project to try and meet the copper final effluent limitations, and has also been implementing feasible source control strategies. The City requires additional time to continue these efforts to achieve enhanced copper removal and reduction. Further, the revised waste load allocations for copper, contained in the *Amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Los Angeles Region to Revise the Total Maximum Daily Load for Metals and Selenium for the Calleguas Creek, its Tributaries, and Mugu Lagoon* (Revised Metals TMDL), are not yet in effect as the TMDL is currently going through the necessary approval process by the State Water Board, Office of Administrative Law, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Once effective, the Revised Metals TMDL will be incorporated into the City's NPDES permit.

On the basis of preliminary staff review and application of lawful standards and regulations, the Executive Officer, pursuant to his delegated authority from the Regional Water Board, tentatively proposes to amend TSO No. R4-2014-0065-A01, by extending the time schedule for copper to December 31, 2017. No changes to the NPDES permit are being proposed at this time.

Please be advised that the Executive Officer intends to issue the Amended TSO without a public hearing. Because interested persons may not have an opportunity to make oral comments, interested persons must submit all comments in writing as described below. The Executive Officer will consider all timely written comments prior to administratively issuing the Amended TSO.

## WRITTEN COMMENTS AND SUBMITTAL OF EVIDENCE

Persons wishing to comment on and/or submit evidence regarding the Tentative Amended TSO for the Executive Officer to consider must submit written comments. Written comments must be *received* by the Regional Water Board by 5:00 p.m. on March 10, 2017. Interested persons are encouraged, but not required, to submit their comments electronically in either a Word or Portable Document File (PDF) to Veronica Cuevas at <a href="Veronica.Cuevas@waterboards.ca.gov">Veronica.Cuevas@waterboards.ca.gov</a>. Written comments may also be sent to:

Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board Attention: Veronica Cuevas 320 West 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 200 Los Angeles, CA 90013

Untimely written comments will not be considered nor responded to. Failure to submit timely written comments is also 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.

### AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS

The Tentative Amended TSO, documents relied upon, comments received, and other information 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.

### STAFF CONTACTS

If you have any question regarding this proposed action, please contact Veronica Cuevas at (213) 576-6662 or via email at <a href="Veronica.Cuevas@waterboards.ca.gov">Veronica.Cuevas@waterboards.ca.gov</a> or Cris Morris, P.E., Chief, Municipal Permitting Unit at (213) 620-2083 or via email at <a href="Cris.Morris@waterboards.ca.gov">Cris.Morris@waterboards.ca.gov</a>.

Date: February 8, 2017