

California Regional Water Quality Control Board
North Coast Region

Order No. R1-2003-0003
WDID. No. 1B82002OHUM

RECISION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
AND MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM
ORDER NO. R1-2002-0036

FOR

BLUE LAKE FOREST PRODUCTS, INC.
GLENDALE SAWMILL

Humboldt County

The North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (hereinafter Regional Water Board) finds that:

1. On May 16, 2002, the Regional Water Board adopted Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) Order No. R1-2002-0036 for the Blue Lake Forest Products, Inc., Glendale Sawmill (hereinafter discharger) facility located in Glendale, Humboldt County.
2. Order No. R1-2002-0036 regulates the discharge of: 1) wood treatment chemicals from a unit dip tank inside a building south of Glendale Drive and 2) daily mill activities that might cause discharges of woody debris and earthen materials from the mill yard to Mill Creek and Lindsay Creek, both tributaries to the Mad River. Domestic wastes are discharged to the sanitary sewer. The discharger has permanently closed all operations and the mill has been dismantled.
3. The unit dip tank was used from approximately 1987 to 2002. Wood treatment chemicals that were used at this site are Copper-8-quinolinolate and food-grade fungicides. Groundwater was monitored in the vicinity of the unit dip tank throughout the 15-year period, and no groundwater contamination was detected.
4. Order No. R1-2002-0036 did not regulate cleanup or monitoring activities at the former green chain, where pentachlorophenol and tetrochlorophenol were used until 1984. Those activities are regulated by the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC). Investigation and cleanup activities were conducted at the green chain and throughout the mill yard from 1984 through 1996. A concrete cap was placed on the green chain area in 1996 to minimize long-term leaching of wood treatment chemicals into the groundwater. DTSC continues to monitor integrity of the concrete cap and quality of groundwater in the immediate vicinity.

5. This action to rescind WDRs is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), at Public Resources Code Section 12000 et seq., pursuant to Title 14, California Code of Regulations, Sections 15060(c)(2) and 15061(b).
6. The Regional Water Board has notified the discharger and interested persons of its intent to rescind Order No. R1-2002-0036 and has provided them with an opportunity to submit their written views and recommendations.
7. The Regional Water Board, in a public meeting, heard and considered all comments pertaining to this matter.

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that WDRs and Monitoring and Reporting Program Order No. R1-2002-0036 for Blue Lake Forest Products, Inc., Glendale Sawmill facility in Glendale, Humboldt County is rescinded.

Certification

I, Susan A. Warner, 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, North Coast Region, on February 27, 2003.

Susan A. Warner
Executive Officer