

California Regional Water Quality Control Board
North Coast Region

ORDER NO. R1-2000-25

RESCISSION
OF
CEASE AND DESIST ORDER 94-133
REQUIRING THE REDWAY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
TO CEASE AND DESIST FROM DISCHARGING OR THREATENING
TO DISCHARGE WASTES IN VIOLATION OF REQUIREMENTS CONTAINED IN
WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS, ORDER NO. 94-23

FOR

REDWAY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

Humboldt County

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

1. Redway Community Services District owns and operates a municipal treatment plant north of the community of Redway, CA and adjacent to the South Fork Eel River.
2. Investigations indicated that the leaking or unlined structures within the treatment plant were the source of bacterially contaminated seepage on the hillside below the treatment plant. This seepage discharged to the South Fork Eel River during winter, spring, and summer months.
3. On December 8, 1994, the Regional Water Board issued Cease and Desist Order No. 94-133 requiring the Redway Community Services District to cease and desist from discharging or threatening to discharge wastes in violation of requirements contained in Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 94-23, NPDES Permit No. CA0022781. The Cease and Desist Order required construction scheduling and improvements for long-term elimination of sludge drying bed leakage, sludge handling, and implementation of a monitoring program to detect the presence of wastewater seepage and bacterial contamination in the South Fork Eel River.
4. The Redway Community Services District has completed construction of its new treatment units and monitoring indicates the seepage has subsided. Therefore, the District is in compliance with requirements preventing the release of untreated and disinfected wastewater.

5. Regional Water Board actions to rescind Cease and Desist Orders are exempt from provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code Section 21000, et seq.) in accordance with Title 14, California Code of Regulations Sections 15061 (b)(3).
6. The Regional Water Board notified the public and interested agencies of its intent to rescind Order No. 94-133 and has provided an opportunity for comment.
7. The Regional Water Board in a public hearing, heard and considered all comments pertaining to this matter.

THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Cease and Desist Order No. 94-133 for the Redway Community Services District be rescinded.

Certification

I, Lee A. Michlin, 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 24, 2000.



Lee A. Michlin
Executive Officer

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