

**WAIVER FORM**  
**FOR ADMINISTRATIVE CIVIL LIABILITY COMPLAINT**

By signing this waiver, I affirm and acknowledge the following:

I am duly authorized to represent the Loleta Community Services District (hereinafter "Discharger") in connection with Administrative Civil Liability Complaint No. R1-2012-0086, (hereinafter the "Complaint"). I am informed that California Water Code section 13323, subdivision (b), states that, "a hearing before the regional board shall be conducted within 90 days after the party has been served with the complaint. The person(s) who have been issued a complaint may waive the right to a hearing."

**(OPTION 1: Check here if the Discharger waives the hearing requirement and will pay the liability in full.)**

- a. I hereby waive any right the Discharger may have to a hearing before the Regional Water Board.
- b. I certify that the Discharger will remit payment for the proposed civil liability in the full amount of **Two Hundred Twenty-Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$228,000)** by submitting a check that references "ACL Complaint No. R1-2012-0086" made payable to the "*State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account.*" Payment must be received by the Regional Water Board within 30 days from the date on which this waiver is executed or the Regional Water Board may adopt an Administrative Civil Liability Order requiring payment.
- c. I understand the payment of the above amount constitutes a proposed settlement of the Complaint, and that any settlement will not become final until after a 30-day public notice and comment period. Should the Regional Water Board receive significant new information or comments from any source (excluding the Water Board's Prosecution Team) during this comment period, the Regional Water Board's Assistant Executive Officer may withdraw the complaint, return payment, and issue a new complaint. I understand that this proposed settlement is subject to approval by the Regional Water Board, and that the Regional Water Board may consider this proposed settlement in a public meeting or hearing. I also understand that approval of the settlement will result in the Discharger having waived the right to contest the allegations in the Complaint and the imposition of civil liability.
- d. I understand that payment of the above amount is not a substitute for compliance with applicable laws and that continuing violations of the type alleged in the Complaint may subject the Discharger to further enforcement, including additional civil liability.

**(OPTION 2: Check here if the Discharger waives its right to a hearing within 90 days of ACLC issuance, in order to engage in settlement discussions.)**

I hereby waive any right the Discharger may have to a hearing before the Regional Water Board within 90 days after service of the complaint, but I reserve the ability to request a hearing in the future. I certify that the Discharger will promptly engage the Regional Water Board Prosecution Team in settlement discussions to attempt to resolve the outstanding violation(s). By checking this box, the Discharger

requests that the Regional Water Board delay the hearing so that the Discharger and the Prosecution Team can discuss settlement. It remains within the discretion of the Regional Water Board to agree to delay the hearing. Any proposed settlement is subject to the conditions described above under "Option 1." In these discussions, the Discharger may raise settlement options including the possibility of completing a compliance project, supplemental environmental project and/or enhanced compliance action.

Pursuant to Water Code section 13385 (k), in lieu of assessing all or a portion of the mandatory minimum penalty, the Regional Water Board may elect to require a publicly owned treatment works (POTW) serving a small community, as defined by subdivision (b) of Water Code section 79084 to spend an equivalent amount towards the completion of a compliance project (CP), with certain conditions. If you believe that the Loleta WWTF qualifies as a POTW serving a small community, and would like to conduct a CP in lieu of paying the ACL penalty, or a portion thereof, you must within thirty days of the date of this Complaint, sign the enclosed waiver, provide the necessary documentation to demonstrate that Loleta WWTF does qualify as a POTW serving a small community, and prepare a proposal for a specific CP pursuant to Section VIII of the State Water Resources Control Board's Water Quality Enforcement Policy.

Any proposed compliance project, supplemental environmental project, or enhanced compliance action must meet the State Water Resources Control Board's requirements for such projects. For more information, see:

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\\_issues/programs/enforcement/docs/enf\\_policy\\_final111709.pdf](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/enforcement/docs/enf_policy_final111709.pdf) and  
[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\\_issues/programs/enforcement/docs/rs2009\\_0013\\_sep\\_finalpolicy.pdf](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/enforcement/docs/rs2009_0013_sep_finalpolicy.pdf)

***(OPTION 3: Check here if the Discharger waives its right to a hearing within 90 days of ACLC issuance, in order to extend the hearing date and/or hearing deadlines. Attach a separate sheet with the amount of additional time requested and the rationale.)***

- a. I hereby waive any right the Discharger may have to a hearing before the Regional Water Board within 90 days after service of the complaint. By checking this box, the Discharger requests that the Regional Water Board delay the hearing and/or hearing deadlines so that the Discharger may have additional time to prepare for the hearing. It remains within the discretion of the Regional Water Board to approve the extension.

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(Print Name and Title)

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(Signature)

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(Date)