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September 1, 2005

Mr. Joel Guynup  
P.O. Box 3457  
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Dear Mr. Guynup:

**Subject:** Coverage under Order No. R1-2005-0011, "General Waste Discharge Requirements and Water Quality Certification for Discharges Related to Sand and Gravel Mining, Excavation, and Processing Activities, Including Asphalt and Concrete Operations, on Non-Federal Lands in the North Coast Region"

**File:** Mad River Sand and Gravel – Sand and Gravel Extraction  
WDID 1B02118WNHU

On May 10, 2005, Mad River Sand and Gravel submitted an application to this office for Water Quality Certification and/or Waste Discharge Requirements. On June 21, 2005, the Regional Water Board adopted Order No. R1-2005-0011, "General Waste Discharge Requirements and Water Quality Certification for Discharges Related to Sand and Gravel Mining, Excavation, and Processing Activities, Including Asphalt and Concrete Operations, on Non-Federal Lands in the North Coast Region (General WDR). Review of your application by Regional Water Board staff indicated that Granite's Mad River extraction activities and processing facility might be eligible for coverage under the General WDR.

On July 13, 2005, we posted a public notice for your project on our web site, and a 21-day public comment period has taken place. We did not receive any comments regarding your project during the public comment period. Regional Water Board staff requested additional information from your consultant to demonstrate that the asphalt plant and processing facility were in compliance with the discharge requirements and prohibitions contained in the General WDR. Regional Water Board staff received information indicating that Mad River Sand and Gravel's aggregate extraction activities and processing facility comply with the General WDR; however, the scrubber discharge from the asphalt plant located within the processing facility does not currently comply with the General WDR. Authorization of coverage under the General WDR is conditioned such that discharges from the asphalt plant scrubber are not currently authorized.

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This letter hereby informs Mad River Sand and Gravel that the proposed aggregate extraction activities and processing facility on the Mad River are now subject to the requirements of General WDR Order No. R1-2005-0011. This letter does not authorize any discharges from the asphalt plant to the unlined basin.

We encourage all appropriate personnel to review and become familiar with the discharge requirements and prohibitions contained in the General WDR. The identification number for this project file will be WDID No. 1B02118WNHU. This number should be included on all future correspondence related to this matter.

Please call Dean Prat of our staff at (707) 576-2801 if you have any questions.

Sincerely

Catherine E. Kuhlman  
Executive Officer

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Enclosure:

Order No. R1-2005-0011, "General Waste Discharge Requirements and Water Quality Certification for Discharges Related to Sand and Gravel Mining, Excavation, and Processing Activities, Including Asphalt and Concrete Operations, on Non-Federal Lands in the North Coast Region"

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