

**North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board  
5550 Skylane Boulevard, Suite A  
Santa Rosa, CA 95403**

**Notice of Public Hearing**

**of**

**Draft Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R1-2016-0013**

**for**

**JH Ranch  
Wastewater Treatment Facility  
WDID No. 1A14143RSIS**

**Siskiyou County**

On the basis of preliminary staff review and application of lawful standards and regulations, the California North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) proposes to adopt Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R1-2016-0013 for the JH Ranch. Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R1-2016-0013 will impose effluent limitations and other requirements for discharges of waste from the wastewater treatment facility to leachfield areas adjacent to the treatment facility.

This item was open for public comment between August 26, 2015 and September 26, 2015.

***Public Hearing Procedures***

A public hearing to consider comments and objections to the draft Order is scheduled for April 7, 2016, at 9:00 a.m., in Eureka, California, or as announced in the Regional Water Board's agenda. The meeting will be held at the Eureka City Hall, Eureka Council Chambers, located at 531 K Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, in Eureka, California. Our web address is <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast> where you can access the current agenda for changes in dates and locations. At the public hearing, the Regional Water Board will consider whether to affirm, reject, or modify the draft waste discharge requirements.

Except at the discretion of the Regional Water Board Chair, written material received after the closure of the public comment period will not be accepted. If the Chair chooses to accept late written material, that material will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice the Discharger or the Regional Water Board staff. The Chair may choose to modify this rule upon a showing of severe hardship (California Code of Regulations, Title 23, sections 648.1 and 648.4).

All those who plan to testify at this hearing must submit written statements to the Regional Water Board no later than March 23, 2016. The statements should provide the name of the witness, his or her qualifications (if an expert), and the scope of his or her intended testimony. The time limit for oral testimony or comments will be set by the Regional Water Board Chair and are subject to change. These time limits normally allow no more than 10 minutes each for Regional Water Board staff and Discharger. All speakers are expected to honor these time limits. Other interested persons may also provide testimony at this public hearing. However, any testimony given by someone other than staff or the Discharger, may be limited to 3 minutes and may only be given under the limited scope of summarizing or explaining any timely-submitted or late-accepted written evidence. No new evidence will be allowed to be presented at this public hearing. In an effort to be fair to all people who wish to testify at this public hearing, the Regional Water Board Chair may choose to use a timer to ensure that individuals stay within the time limits set by the Chair. The Chair also requests that in order to avoid unnecessary repetitive testimony, that one spokesperson be selected to speak on behalf of many individuals when those individuals share a common affiliation or interest.

### ***Document Review***

The draft Order, related documents, and comments, received by the Regional Water Board will be on file and may be inspected or copied at the Regional Water Board's office, 5550 Skylane Boulevard, Suite A, Santa Rosa, California. Appointments are recommended for document review and can be made by calling: (707) 576-2220. These materials are also available for review on the website at [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast/public\\_notices/public\\_hearings/npdes\\_permits\\_and\\_wdrs.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast/public_notices/public_hearings/npdes_permits_and_wdrs.shtml).

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Executive Officer

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