

Regional Water Quality Control Board  
North Coast Region

Executive Officer's Summary Report  
Thursday, October 9, 2014  
Best Western Miner's Inn  
Yreka, California

- ITEM: 3
- SUBJECT: Public Hearing to consider adoption of proposed amendments to Cease and Desist Order No. R1-2013-0030 for the City of Tulelake Wastewater Treatment Facility, WDID No. 1A84002OSIS (*Kason Grady*)
- BOARD ACTION: The Board will consider adoption of Amended Cease and Desist Order No. R1-2013-0030.
- BACKGROUND: The City of Tulelake (hereinafter Permittee) owns and operates a wastewater collection, treatment and disposal facility (hereinafter WWTF) in the community of Tulelake, Siskiyou County, California. The WWTF serves a population of approximately 1,000 including residential and commercial customers in the City of Tulelake. The WWTF is located directly adjacent to, and discharges treated effluent to, the Tulelake Irrigation District (TID) drain No. 44-B-1, which is tributary to the Tulelake Sump and the Tule Lake Refuge..
- The WWTF is designed to provide secondary treatment for up to an average daily dry-weather flow of 0.16 million gallons per day (mgd). The current treatment system consists of a comminutor in the headworks wet well with a bypass bar screen followed by two aerated wastewater stabilization ponds, two large sand filters in parallel, and a chlorine contact disinfection chamber prior to sulfur dioxide dechlorination and discharge to the TID drain No. 44-B-1 at Discharge Point 001. Secondary treated, disinfected, dechlorinated wastewater is discharged year-round to surface waters.
- ISSUES: Significant issues addressed in the proposed amendment to the Cease and Desist Order include the following:
1. The City has acquired an additional \$2,205,650 through the State Water Resources Control Board, State Revolving Fund, for a total grant of \$6,000,000. The City has been able to make some improvements to the project with the additional grant funds, and this has caused some delays, and has caused the City to reevaluate project phasing.

**SIGNIFICANT  
CHANGES:**

The proposed amended Order No. R1-2013-0030 contains significant changes from the existing CDO as follows:

1. Updates to Finding 12 reflect the current project finances.
2. Extension of time for Task 3 - interim compliance projects; Task 5 - submittal of a pollution prevention plan, and Tasks 7 through 11 - completion of project design and construction. The City has consistently progressed toward project completion and additional time is warranted for these tasks given the increased scope of the project with the additional funding.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt Amended Cease and Desist Order No. R1-2013-0030 as proposed.

**SUPPORTING  
DOCUMENTS:**

1. Proposed Amended Cease and Desist Order
2. Public Notice