

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114

PUBLIC HEARING

concerning

**RENEWAL OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
(NPDES NO. CA0083992)**

FOR

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
AIRCRAFT CONTROL AND WARNING SITE
GROUNDWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM
FORMER MATHER AIR FORCE BASE
SACRAMENTO COUNTY**

The United States Department of the Air Force (Discharger) owns and operates the Aircraft Control and Warning Site, Former Mather Air Force Base groundwater extraction and treatment system (Facility) located in Sacramento County. Historical records indicate that, from 1958 to 1966, waste solvents were disposed of at the Facility. Later remedial investigations at the Facility in 1979 and the 1980s identified trichloroethylene (TCE) in shallow groundwater at a maximum concentration of 1 mg/L. Previously removed underground storage tanks and the discontinued practice of subsurface disposal are assumed to be the sources of TCE contamination in the groundwater. The groundwater remedial action began operating in 1995, and the plume has been undergoing cleanup since that time. Treated groundwater is discharged to Mather Lake, a water of the United States and a tributary to Morrison Creek.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Regional Water Board meeting which is scheduled for:

DATE: 23/24 October 2008
TIME: 8:30 AM
PLACE: Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region
11020 Sun Center Dr., Suite #200
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

The designated party for this hearing is as follows:

- Staff of Central Valley Regional Board
- United States Department of the Air Force

Only designated parties will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to introduce exhibits; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. All other persons wishing to testify or provide comments are interested persons and not designated parties. Such interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Board no later than **9 October 2008**. The request must

explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is directly affected by the discharge.

The tentative Waste Discharge Requirements were issued on **22 August 2008**.

Persons wishing to comment on this noticed hearing item shall submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Regional Water Board no later than 5:00 PM on **26 September 2008**. Written evidence or comments submitted after 5:00 PM on **26 September 2008** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Regional Water Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Board Chair

Anyone having questions on the proposed Orders should contact Ken Landau at (916) 464-4726. Interested parties may download the proposed Orders and related documents from the Regional Water Board's Internet website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/. Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Regional Water Board's office at 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

The procedures governing Regional Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Regional Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/. Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Regional Water Board's website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml or by contacting any one of the Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

Kenneth D. Landau, Assistant Executive Officer

22 August 2008