

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION  
415 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 100, Redding, CA 96002

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
concerning

**ADOPTION OF A NEW CEASE AND DESIST ORDER AND  
RESCISSION OF CEASE AND DESIST ORDER NO. R5-2004-0111  
FOR  
BELLA VISTA WATER DISTRICT  
WATER TREATMENT PLANT  
SHASTA COUNTY**

The Bella Vista Water District (Discharger) owns and operates a water treatment plant (Facility), which produces up to 45 million gallons per day (mgd) of treated, potable water for domestic, municipal, and agricultural purposes. The Facility discharges settled filter backwash to Dry Gulch, a water of the United States. Dry Gulch, in succeeding order, is tributary to Boulder Creek, Churn Creek and the Sacramento River.

The Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) will consider rescission of the existing Cease and Desist Order (CDO No. R5-2004-0111) and replace it with an updated CDO to allow for the discharger to complete upgrades to the Facility. The updated CDO also contains interim effluent limitations for dichlorobromomethane and copper. The Discharger is able to immediately comply with the interim effluent limitations.

On 10 September 2004, the Regional Water Board adopted Cease and Desist Order No. R5-2004-0111, which required the Discharger to continue work on coming into compliance with the effluent limitations in Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R5-2004-0110 (NPDES Permit No. CA 0080799) for copper and dichlorobromomethane. The NPDES permit, contained effluent limits which were stricter than they were in the previous permit. The Discharger improved effluent quality by altering the pre-chlorination process resulting in the reduction of the concentration of dichlorobromomethane in the effluent, however full compliance with the NPDES permit has not been achieved. Elevated total copper and dichlorobromomethane concentrations in the discharge continue to be an issue. The Discharger evaluated several options for complete compliance and concluded that converting the facility to a zero discharge facility is the preferred alternative. The new CDO better reflects current conditions at the Facility and contains a time schedule for the Discharger to complete the planned Facility upgrade by 30 June 2011.

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

DATE: 9, 10 and 11 December 2009  
TIME: 8:30 a.m.  
PLACE: Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board  
11020 Sun Center Drive #200  
Rancho Cordova, CA

The designated parties for this hearing is as follows:

- Bella Vista Water District Representatives

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 **5:00 p.m. on 15 November 2009**. 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 proposed CDO was issued on 15 October 2009. Persons wishing to comment on this noticed hearing item shall submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Regional Board no later than **5:00 p.m. on 15 November 2009**. Written evidence or comments submitted after **5:00 p.m. on 15 November 2009** 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 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 Bella Vista Water District's treatment facility should contact Kevin Kratzke by telephone at (530) 224-4850. Interested parties may download the proposed Order and related documents from the Regional Board's Internet website at

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\\_decisions/tentative\\_orders](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders).

Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Regional Board's office at 415 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 100, Redding, CA 96002-0129 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/](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/).

Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Regional Board's

website at [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\\_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml](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.

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