

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION  
11020 Sun Center Drive #200, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

**PUBLIC HEARING**  
concerning

**WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS  
NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES)  
PERMIT NO. CA0084697  
AND TIME SCHEDULE ORDER  
for**

**UNITED AUBURN INDIAN COMMUNITY AND HYDROSCIENCE OPERATIONS, INC.  
THUNDER VALLEY CASINO WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT  
PLACER COUNTY**

The United Auburn Indian Community owns the Thunder Valley Casino Wastewater Treatment Plant (Facility) that provides wastewater treatment to the Thunder Valley Casino (formerly known as the Auburn Rancheria Casino), a gaming and entertainment facility. The Facility is operated by Hydroscience Operations, Inc. The United Auburn Indian Community and Hydroscience Operations, Inc. are hereinafter referred to as the Discharger. Existing Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R5-2005-0032 (NPDES Permit) currently allows up to 0.35 million gallons per day (MGD) of tertiary treated domestic wastewater to be discharged into Orchard Creek, a tributary to Auburn Ravine, East Side Canal, Cross Canal, and the Sacramento River. The Discharger has requested an increase in permitted discharge to 0.875 mgd due to the proposed gaming and restaurant facilities expansion project that includes the addition of a new hotel and performing arts center.

The Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) will consider adoption of the NPDES Permit renewal with the proposed increase in surface water discharge. The proposed permit renewal also includes new effluent limitations for cadmium, delta-BHC, endrin aldehyde, iron, lead, manganese, mercury, and zinc. The Central Valley Water Board will also consider adoption of a proposed Time Schedule Order that includes times schedules for the Discharger to comply with the new effluent limitations for cadmium, lead, and zinc.

A public hearing concerning the proposed NPDES permit renewal and Time Schedule Order will be held during the Central Valley Water Board meeting scheduled for:

DATE: 27/28/29 January 2010  
TIME: 8:30 a.m.  
PLACE: Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board Room  
11020 Sun Center Drive, #200  
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

- United Auburn Indian Community and Hydroscience Operations, Inc. Representatives

Only designated parties will have the following 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 Central Valley Water Board no later than **10 December 2010**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and, in particular, how the person is directly affected by the discharge.

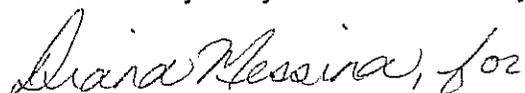
Persons wishing to comment on this hearing item must submit testimony, evidence, and/or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than 5:00 p.m. on **10 December 2010**. Written evidence or comments submitted after 5:00 p.m. on **10 December 2010** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party. All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Central Valley 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 regarding the proposed NPDES Permit renewal and Time Schedule Order should contact Ms. Diana Messina at (916) 464-4828 or [dcmessina@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:dcmessina@waterboards.ca.gov). Interested parties may download the proposed NPDES Permit and related documents from the Central Valley Water 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 may also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley 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 Central Valley 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 Central Valley 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 Water 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 Central Valley Water 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 five 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 may be interested in this matter.



KENNETH D. LANDAU, Assistant Executive Officer

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