

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

11020 Sun Center Drive #200, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

concerning

**CONSIDERATION OF ORDER AMENDING
WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS ORDER R5-2013-0146
(NPDES NO. CA0079391)
FOR
CITY OF JACKSON
WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT
AMADOR COUNTY**

The City of Jackson is the owner and operator of the Wastewater Treatment Plant (Facility), a publicly owned treatment works located at 39 North Highway 49-88 in Jackson, California. The Facility provides sewerage services for the City of Jackson. The Facility discharges up to 0.71 million gallons per day of tertiary treated wastewater to Jackson Creek.

Discharge from the Facility is currently regulated by Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) Order R5-2013-0146 (NPDES Permit No. CA0079391), issued by the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) on 5 December 2013. The Discharger completed a *Copper Water-Effect Ratio Study* (Study), dated 26 September 2014, that followed the United States Environmental Protection Agency's *2001 Streamlined Water-Effect Ratio Procedure for Discharges of Copper* (EPA 822-R-01-005), to establish new site-specific criteria for copper. The Discharger also completed Facility upgrades to improve the biological treatment process that included construction of an alkalinity adjustment system that effectively increases the hardness of the treated wastewater effluent. The Facility upgrades have resulted in new information to determine new California Toxics Rule (CTR) hardness-dependent metals criteria. The new site-specific criteria for copper and the new CTR hardness-dependent metals criteria results in the Facility effluent no longer exhibiting reasonable potential to cause or contribute to an in-stream excursion of the water quality objectives. Therefore, the Central Valley Water Board will consider amending WDR Order R5-2013-0146 to remove final effluent limitations for copper and zinc.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Water Board meeting scheduled for:

DATE: 5/6 February 2015
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:

- City of Jackson

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 Central Valley Water Board no later than **5:00 p.m. on 19 December 2014**. The request must

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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 noticed hearing item shall submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments via email to **RB5S-NPDES-Comments@waterboards.ca.gov**, attention **Gayleen Perreira**, or in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **5:00 p.m. on 19 December 2014**. Written evidence or comments submitted after **5:00 p.m. on 19 December 2014** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record absent a ruling by the Chair. Any party requesting to submit late materials must demonstrate good cause for the late submission, and the Chair must find that accepting the late submission will not prejudice the Central Valley Water Board or any Designated 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 hearing item should contact David Kirn at (916) 464-4761 or at david.kirn@waterboards.ca.gov. Interested parties may download the tentative Order and related documents from the Central Valley 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 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 final meeting agenda will be available at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/ at least 10 days before the meeting. The agenda will provide the specific date the Board Meeting will be held for this item, indicate the anticipated order of all agenda items, and may include staff revisions to the proposed order(s).**

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/. Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Central Valley Water Board's website at 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 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.


ADAM LAPUTZ, Assistant Executive Officer

19 November 2014