

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION**

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

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

concerning

**NEW WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
(NPDES NO. CA0085316)**

For

**CITY OF TURLOCK REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL FACILITY AND THE
CITY OF MODESTO WATER QUALITY CONTROL FACILITY
STANISLAUS COUNTY**

The City of Turlock is the owner and operator of the City of Turlock, Regional Water Quality Control Facility (RWQCF), a POTW located at 901 S. Walnut Road, Turlock, California. The RWQCF provides sewerage services for the City of Turlock and the community service districts of Denair and Keys, and receives up to 2 million gallons per day (MGD) of primary treated effluent from the City of Ceres. The RWQCF serves a population of approximately 88,000. The City of Turlock RWQCF is designed to provide tertiary treatment for up to 20 MGD.

The City of Modesto is the owner and operator of the City of Modesto, Water Quality Control Facility (WQCF), a POTW located at 1221 Sutter Avenue, Modesto, California. The WQCF provides sewerage services for the City of Modesto, the community of Empire, and a portion of the City of Ceres, serving a population of approximately 256,000. The City of Modesto is currently expanding the tertiary treatment capacity of the WQCF from 2.3 MGD to 14.9 MGD.

The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) proposes to adopt a new Order and NPDES permit to regulate the surface water discharge from the Facilities to the Delta-Mendota Canal, a water of the United States, via the North Valley Regional Recycled Water Program (NVRWP) Joint Outfall. The NVRWP proposes to introduce and convey up to 59,000 acre-feet per year (52.7 MGD average dry weather flow at build out) of tertiary treated wastewater from the facilities via a pipeline to the Delta-Mendota Canal, where it will be beneficially reused by agricultural users within the Del Puerto Water District via diversions from the Delta-Mendota Canal at locations downstream of the outfall. The NVRWP will also provide recycled water to supplement the irrigation of south of Delta refuges downstream of the Delta-Mendota Canal.

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

DATE: 18/19 February 2016
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 Turlock Representatives
- City of Modesto 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 Central

Valley Water Board no later than **12:00 p.m.** on **28 December 2015**. 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 noticed hearing item shall submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board via email to **RB5S-NPDES-Comments@waterboards.ca.gov** no later than **12:00 p.m.** on **28 December 2015**. Written evidence or comments submitted after **12:00 p.m.** on **28 December 2015** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record absent a ruling by the Board 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 Tyson Pelkofer at (916) 464-4853 or tyson.pelkofer@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.

Original Signed By
ADAM LAPUTZ, Assistant Executive Officer
25 November 2015