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**NOTICE
TENTATIVE WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
FOR
ARO PISTACHIOS, INC, AND
MEHDI ORANDI
TERRA BELLA PROCESSING FACILITY
TULARE COUNTY**

TO ALL CONCERNED PERSONS AND AGENCIES:

Enclosed are tentative Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) for ARO Pistachios, Inc, and Mehdi Orandi in regards to re-starting operation of the pistachio processing facility (facility) at 19570 Avenue 88 in Terra Bella. The facility process pistachios and discharges pistachio process wastewater to land application areas. The Central Valley Water Board will be considering adoption of the tentative WDRs at its 23/24 June 2016 meeting. Any written comments or evidence you may have concerning the tentative WDRs must be submitted to this office by **5:00 p.m. on 25 April 2016**. Absent a showing of good cause and lack of prejudice to other parties, the Board Chair may exclude comments and evidence received after this deadline.

In order to conserve paper and reduce mailing costs, a paper copy of the tentative WDRs have been sent only to the Dischargers. Others are advised that the tentative WDRs are available on the Central Valley Water Board's web site at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/rwqcb5/board_decisions/tentative_orders/index.shtml
under the heading, "Discharger-Specific Orders for Future Board Meetings."

The Central Valley Water Board meeting where the above matter will be considered is scheduled for the following time and location:

DATE: 23/24 June 2016
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
PLACE: California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region
11020 Sun Center Dr #200
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670-6114

Persons wishing to make non-evidentiary policy statements at the Board meeting (such statements will generally be limited to 3 minutes) are **not** required to submit written comments, but the Board appreciates receiving those comments in writing by the due date listed above so that they may be included in the packages that the Board members will receive ahead of the meeting.

Anyone without access to the Internet who needs a paper copy of the tentative WDRs should contact Denise Soria at (559) 444-2488 or dsoria@waterboards.ca.gov.

Original signed by:

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Attachment: Native American Tribal Government Consultation List, Tulare County

Enclosures: Tentative Waste Discharge Requirements (Discharger Only)
Attachment A. – Facility Map (Discharger Only)
Attachment B. – Process Flow Schematic (Discharger Only)
Attachment C. – Standard Requirements for Monitoring Well Installation Work Plans
Monitoring Well Installation Reports (Discharger Only)
Monitoring and Reporting Program (Discharger Only)
Information Sheet (Discharger Only)
Standard Provisions and Reporting Requirements, March 1991 (Discharger Only)

cc w/o enc.: Patrick Pulupa, State Water Resources Control Board, OCC, Sacramento (via email)
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Consultation List for Tulare County)
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