State of California
Regional Water Quality Control Board
Santa Ana Region

September 19, 2014

STAFF REPORT

ITEM: *10

SUBJECT: Amending Order No. R8-2014-0048, Waste Discharge Requirements for American Golf Corporation, National Golf Property Realty Sub LP, and Orange County Waste & Recycling, for the Rancho San Joaquin Golf Course (the former Lane Road Landfill: a Closed Class III Solid Waste Disposal Site) in Irvine, Orange County, Order No.R8-2014-0071

DISCUSSION:

American Golf Corporation operates a recreational golf course, the Rancho San Joaquin Golf Course, located southeast of Michelson Drive and Harvard Avenue in Irvine, Orange County. National Golf Property Realty Sub LP is currently the land owner of the golf course property. Approximately 70% of the golf course property overlies the former Lane Road Landfill, a non-hazardous municipal waste landfill, which was operated by the Orange County Waste & Recycling (OCWR) from 1961 to 1964. The Landfill ceased operations in 1964 and was closed with a 3-foot thick interim soil cover.

On June 13, 2014, the Regional Board adopted Order No. R8-2014-0048, waste discharge requirements for drainage improvements and post-closure monitoring and maintenance at the former landfill site.

This Order amends Order No. R8-2014-0048 to amend the dates specified in Order No. R8-2014-0048 for drainage improvements of Watershed Basin 6. Order No. R8-2014-0048 required improvements to Watershed Basin 6 concurrently with Watershed Basin 5. The proposed amendment provides an opportunity to the Dischargers to develop Watershed Basin 6 concurrently with Watershed Basin 3.

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt Order No.R8-2014-0071 as presented.

Comments were solicited from the following:

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CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SANTA ANA REGION

ORDER NO. R8-2014-0071

AMENDING ORDER NO. R8-2014-0048
WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
FOR

Dischargers	**AMERICAN GOLF CORPORATION** **NATIONAL GOLF PROPERTY REALTY SUB LP** **ORANGE COUNTY WASTE & RECYCLING**

Facility	**RANCHO SAN JOAQUIN GOLF COURSE** **(FORMER LANE ROAD LANDFILL: A** **CLOSED CLASS III SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL SITE)** **IRVINE, ORANGE COUNTY**

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region (hereinafter Regional Board), finds that:

1. American Golf Corporation (AGC) operates a recreational golf course, the Rancho San Joaquin Golf Course, located southeast of Michelson Drive and Harvard Avenue in Irvine, Orange County. National Golf Property Realty Sub LP (NGP) is currently the land owner of the Rancho San Joaquin Golf Course (the Property). Approximately 70% of the golf course property overlies the former Lane Road Landfill (the Landfill), a non-hazardous municipal waste landfill, which was operated by the Orange County Waste & Recycling (OCWR) from 1961 to 1964. The golf course property that overlies the former Landfill is referred to as the "Site" in this Order; AGC, NGP, and OCWR are collectively referred to as the "Dischargers" in this Order.

2. On June 13, 2014, the Regional Board adopted Order No. R8-2014-0048, waste discharge requirements for post-closure maintenance at the Site.

3. Under Order No. R8-2014-0048, the Dischargers are required to implement drainage improvements at the Site in accordance with the implementation schedules in Table 1, Section C.4.

4. On July 21, 2014, AGC submitted a letter, requesting the rescheduling of drainage improvement project for Watershed Basin 6, which has been scheduled for drainage improvements concurrently with Watershed Basin 5 in Summer/Fall 2014. AGC

requested for a postponement of drainage improvements in Watershed Basin 6 until 2016 due to budgetary constraints. Board staff reviewed the request for this amendment and agrees that it is a reasonable request considering the size of the watershed basins and the expenses associated with the improvement of these basins (Watershed Basin 5 is 8.8 acres in size and Watershed Basin 6 is 12.5 acres in size).

5. This Order amends Order No. R8-2014-0048 to change the target construction and the report due dates for Watershed Basin 6 specified in Table 1.

6. This project involves the amendment of the existing WDRs for an existing facility, and as such, is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code, Section 21100 et seq.) in accordance with Section 15301, Chapter 3, Title 14, California Code of Regulations.

7. The Regional Board has notified the discharger and interested agencies and persons of the Board's intent to amend the waste discharge requirements previously adopted for the discharger, and has provided them with an opportunity to submit their written views and recommendations.

8. The Regional Board, in a public meeting, heard and considered all comments pertaining to the proposed amendment of the existing waste discharge requirements for the former Lane Road Landfill site.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT ORDER NO. R8-2014-0048 be amended as follows:

1. Make the following changes to Section C.4 of Order No. R8-2014-0048:

   4. The Dischargers shall comply with the existing Drainage System Master Plan to complete surface drainage improvement for the remaining stages, as specified in Table 1. The construction reports for the remaining phases of the site drainage improvement projects, identified in the September 2010 Drainage System Master Plan, shall be submitted in accordance with the following time schedule:

Table 1: Site Drainage Improvement Schedules

Task Description	Target Construction Period	Final Construction Report due
Watershed Basins 5 ~~& 6~~	07/11/14-10/28/14	Within 60 days after project completion
Watershed Basin 4	09/17/15-10/23/15	"
Watershed Basins 3 & 6	09/02/16-09/24/16	"

2. All other terms and conditions of Order No. R8-2014-0048 shall remain unchanged.

I, Kurt V. Berchtold, Executive Officer, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region, on September 19, 2014.

Kurt V. Berchtold
Executive Officer