# STATE OF CALIFORNIA CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

#### **DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS**

In the Matter of Water Right Permit 17893 (Application 25601)

## City of Grass Valley

# ORDER REVOKING WATER RIGHT

SOURCE:

UNNAMED UNDERGROUND STREAM (AKA ALTA CHANNEL) TRIBUTARY

TO UNDERGROUND WATER BASINS

COUNTY:

**NEVADA** 

### WHEREAS:

- 1. The City of Grass Valley (Right Holder) is the right holder of Water Right Permit 17893. Tim Kiser (Agent) is the authorized agent for the right holder.
- 2. On March 5, 2013, the agent requested that the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), Division of Water Rights (Division), revoke Water Right Permit 17893.
- 3. By signing the voluntary request for revocation, the right holder waived the right to the hearing and notice requirements set forth in Water Code sections 1410 et seg.
- 4. The State Water Board has delegated the authority to revoke water rights to the Deputy Director for Water Rights (Deputy Director) pursuant to Resolution No. 2012-0029. The Deputy Director has redelegated this authority to the Unit Seniors, pursuant to redelegation order dated July 6, 2012.

# THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED THAT WATER RIGHT PERMIT 17893 IS HEREBY REVOKED, AND THE WATER IS DECLARED TO BE SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION.

This revocation may not result in additional water being available for new appropriations if there are applicable restrictions due to past State Water Board decisions regarding water availability.

It is right holder's responsibility to remove or modify diversion works and impoundments to ensure that water subject to this revocation is not diverted and used. Right holder is hereby put on notice that unauthorized diversion and use of water is considered a trespass and subject to enforcement action under Water Code sections 1052 and 1831. Pursuant to Water Code section 1052, any diversion of water from the point of diversion identified in this water right permit may be subject to Administrative Civil Liability of up to \$500 per day without further notice. The State Water Board also may issue a Cease and Desist Order in response to an unauthorized diversion or threatened unauthorized diversion pursuant to Water Code section 1831.

Before initiating any work in a stream channel, right holder should consult with the Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Regional Water Quality Control Board to ensure that removal of project facilities does not adversely affect a fishery or result in unregulated sediment discharge to a waterway. Right holder must also consult with the Department of Water Resources, Division of Safety of Dams, if a jurisdictional size dam will be removed or breached (dam height 25 feet or more, or reservoir volume 50 acre-feet or more). These agencies may require a permit or other approval prior to any construction activity.

Right holder shall document any diversions made under claim of right independent of a permit, license, registration or certification issued by the State Water Board, such as diversions under riparian or pre-1914 rights. With limited exceptions, Water Code section 5101 requires that a Statement of Water Diversion and Use be filed for these diversions. Water Code section 5107 (c)(1) provides that the State Water Board may impose a civil liability of \$1,000, plus \$500 per day for each additional day on which the violation continues if the person fails to file a statement within 30 days after the board has called the violation to the attention of that person. These penalties are in addition to any penalties that may be imposed if the diverter does not hold a valid right or diverts in excess of what is authorized under that right.

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

Amande Montgomery for

Barbara Evoy, Deputy Director Division of Water Rights

Dated:

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