

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

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - PUBLIC NOTICE
CONSIDERATION OF ENROLLMENT UNDER GENERAL WAIVER OF WASTE
DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR SPECIFIC TYPES OF DISCHARGES, SECTION
D: DISCHARGES NOT SPECIFIED
ORDER NO. R3-2019-0089
FOR
OLD STAGE PARTNERS, LLC
460 OLD STAGE ROAD, SALINAS
MONTEREY COUNTY**

July 7, 2021

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coast Region (Central Coast Water Board) proposes to authorize the Old Stage Partners, LLC (Discharger) to discharge treated effluent from a denitrifying woodchip bioreactor via onsite subsurface disposal by enrollment in the General Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Specific Types of Discharges, Order No. R3-2019-0089 (General Waiver). The General Waiver identifies 13 specific types of discharges that the Executive Officer may enroll in the General Waiver. Proposed low-threat discharges not specifically identified in the General Waiver may be enrolled, however enrollment is contingent upon Central Coast Water Board consideration and approval. The Discharger's proposed discharge is not identified in the General Waiver; therefore, Board approval is required to enroll the discharge.

The proposed woodchip bioreactor will treat discharges from cannabis and rose cultivation operations, including wastewater generated from an irrigation capture and recycling system. Treated wastewater will be discharged into an existing stormwater infiltration pond. A copy of the staff report can be found on the Central Coast Water Board's tentative orders page after July 7, 2021 at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/board_decisions/tentative_orders/

The Central Coast Water Board will hold a public hearing to consider the enrollment in R3-2019-0089 on:

August 13, 2021

This meeting will be held by video and teleconference due to COVID-19 guidelines. Information regarding the video and teleconference will be available as part of the meeting agenda at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/board_info/agendas/2021/2021_agendas.htm

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Interested persons are invited to submit comments in writing to the Central Coast Water Board by email at centralcoast@waterboards.ca.gov or to the San Luis Obispo address above no later than **July 31, 2021**. All comments received prior to that date will be considered in the formulation of staff recommendations regarding the waste discharge. The Central Coast Water Board will not accept written comments or other written submittals on the proposed waste discharge requirements after **July 31, 2021**, unless the Chair of the Central Coast Water Board rules that exclusion would create a hardship, and that the late submission will not prejudice any party or the Central Coast Water Board. Any person submitting late comments or other submittals must explain why such materials were not submitted by **July 31, 2021**. The Chair of the Central Coast Water Board will rule on late submittals at or before the hearing. Late submittals that consist of evidence (as opposed to policy statements or comments) are generally prejudicial unless all parties and Central Coast Water Board staff have time to consider the evidence before the hearing.

Interested persons are invited to attend the virtual hearing and may make oral comments relevant to the proposed action. Oral comments should summarize written comments. The Chair of the Central Coast Water Board will impose time limits on oral comments.

The discharge application and related documents may be inspected and copied by the public. Due to state guidelines on COVID-19, please submit any requests to review documents electronically to Leah Lemoine at leah.lemoine@waterboards.ca.gov or Arwen Wyatt-Mair at Arwen.wyattmair@waterboards.ca.gov. Please bring the foregoing to the attention of any persons known to you who would be interested in this matter.

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