STATE OF CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL COAST REGION

SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET FOR REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 30, 2015

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ITEM NUMBER: 14

SUBJECT: TRICHLOROETHYLENE INVESTIGATION IN THE BUCKLEY

ROAD AREA OF SAN LUIS OBISPO

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KEY INFORMATION: Comments and Response to Comments

Central Coast Water Board staff is conducting private drinking water well testing and overseeing the investigation of trichloroethylene (TCE) in groundwater in the Buckley Road area, adjacent to the San Luis Obispo County airport (this area includes Thread Lane, Davenport Creek Road, Evans Road, Angie Lou Lane, and Three Sisters Road areas). A total of 56 supply wells have been tested in this rural residential area (49 of these wells are private, domestic wells).

TCE has been detected above the maximum contaminant level (MCL) in 11 of 56 wells, which were sampled in the referenced area during late December 2015 and multiple January 2016 sampling events. Following receipt of analytical results, Central Coast Water Board staff contacted individual well users in the Buckley Road area to discuss their well sampling results, status of the groundwater investigation, and provide answers to any other questions the residents may have related to TCE in the area's groundwater. Central Coast Water Board staff also continue the search for the source of the TCE, investigating potential industrial users in the vicinity. To that end, Water Board staff required environmental information from the adjacent airport; San Luis Obispo County submitted this information on January 20, 2016 and staff is currently evaluating these reports.

Central Coast Water Board staff will host a public meeting for all interested parties at the beginning of February to provide information on the investigation's progress, water treatment options, health information as it pertains to TCE, and answer questions from the community. We are continuing to implement our outreach plan with the community by having them identify the preferred date and time for this meeting via Doodle poll. Central Coast Water Board staff participating on this project include Dean Thomas, Sarah Treadwell, Thea Tryon, and John Robertson. Additionally, Tim Moran and George Kostyrko of the State Water Board's Office of Public Affairs have provided assistance in handling local San Luis Obispo media inquiries.

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