# STATE OF CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL COAST REGION

## STAFF REPORT FOR REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 12-13, 2016

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ITEM NUMBER: 7

SUBJECT: Rescission of Waste Discharge Requirements for Folktale Winery

(Formerly Chateau Julien Wine Estate)

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**KEY INFORMATION** 

Discharger: Folktale Winery

Location: 8940 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley, Monterey County

Discharge Type: Winery

Treatment: Settling and Land Application

Disposal: Percolation

Existing Order: Individual WDR Order No. 01-070

This Action: Rescind Order No. 01-170

## **DISCUSSION**

In 2002, just before the Central Coast Water Board adopted its General Winery WDRs (General Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Winery Waste, Order No. R3-2008-0018), the Water Board imposed individual waste discharge requirements on the Chateau Julien Wine Estate. Since that time, new owners purchased the business, assumed discharge responsibility, down-sized the discharge to "small winery" size, and are doing business under the name of "Folktale Winery." The existing waste discharge requirements were adopted in 2001 and are overdue for an update. Now that there are new owners and a smaller discharge, staff proposes an update.

Since the winery qualifies as a small winery under the General Winery WDRs and has a good compliance record, staff recommends that the revision take the form of a rescission of the existing individual waste discharge requirements and a concurrent enrollment as a small winery waiver under the General Winery WDRs. The General Winery WDRs implement applicable Water Board prohibitions, discharge specifications, management practices, and provisions to protect water quality.

#### **COMPLIANCE HISTORY**

Folktale Winery has an excellent compliance history.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL SUMMARY**

Rescission of waste discharge requirements for existing facilities is exempt from provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resource Code, Section 21100 et seq.) in accordance with Section 15301, Chapter 3, Title 14 of the California Administrative Code.

## **COMMENTS**

By letter dated February 19, 2016, Water Board staff notified the Discharger and known interested parties of its recommendation to rescind Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 01-070 and enroll the Discharger as a small winery waiver under the General Winery WDRs.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Rescind Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 01-170.

### **ATTACHMENT**

Existing Order No. 01-070

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