

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL COAST REGION

PROPOSED ORDER R3-2025-0006

TERMINATING

WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS ORDER R3-2013-0002, NATIONAL
POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT CA0005720

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coast Region (Central Coast Water Board) finds that:

1. The Central Coast Water Board adopted Order R3-2013-0002, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit CA0005720 (Order), Waste Discharge Requirements for Uni-Kool Partners Salinas Packing Facility Wastewater Treatment Plant, on May 30, 2013. Order R3-2013-0002 prescribes requirements for the discharge of treated production wastewater and stormwater originating from Uni-Kool Partners Vegetable Packing Facility, a vegetable packing, processing, and cold storage facility, owned and operated by The Uni-Kool Partners (Discharger) and located at 320 John Street, Salinas, Monterey County.
2. Order R3-2013-0002 is no longer applicable for the reasons set forth below. Accordingly, it is appropriate to terminate Order R3-2013-0002 pursuant to title 40, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), § 122.64 subd. (a)(4).
 - a. On December 4, 2024, the Discharger provided a notice of termination satisfying the requirement described in 40 CFR § 122.64 subd. (c). The property will be redeveloped, and Uni-Kool Partners Vegetable Packing Facility has ceased operating its vegetable packing, processing, and cold storage, has shut down the effluent treatment plant, and no longer discharges effluent into waters of the United States.
3. On December 20, 2024, the Central Coast Water Board provided the owner/operator and interested persons with notice of the Board's intent to terminate the listed order and provided them with an opportunity to submit their written comments and recommendations.
4. Written comments were due on January 19, 2025. The Central Coast Water Board heard and considered all comments pertaining to the proposal to terminate the listed order.
5. This action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (Pub. Res. Code, § 21000 et seq.) in accordance with California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301, and California Water Code section 13389.

Uni-Kool Partners

Salinas Packing Facility Wastewater Treatment Plant

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Order R3-2013-0002, NPDES Permit CA0005720 is terminated on the date of this order unless otherwise stated above, except for enforcement purposes. This action in no way prevents the Central Coast Water Board from taking enforcement action for violations of Order R3-2013-0002.

I, Ryan E. Lodge, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coast Region on [date].

Ryan E. Lodge, Executive Officer