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## **NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY (NOA), CHEVRON PIPE LINE COMPANY, WATER QUALITY ORDER NO. 2003-0003-DWQ-0011, DEWATERING DISCHARGE TO LAND, SACRAMENTO LEG REPAIRS – SITE 116, SOLANO COUNTY**

On 10 June 2009, a Notice of Applicability (June 2009 NOA) was issued for Water Quality Order No. 2003-0003-DWQ-0006 *Statewide General Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges to Land with a Low Threat to Water Quality* (Order). The June 2009 NOA has expired and construction of the subject pipeline repair project was delayed. Therefore, the completion date specified in the June 2009 NOA is no longer applicable. The Chevron Pipe Line Company submitted a new Notice of Intent (NOI) dated 5 February 2010 for extended coverage under the Order. Because the project description has not changed, we have determined that the project still meets the required conditions for approval under this Order.

A copy of the Order is enclosed and you may also view the Order on our website at [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board\\_decisions/adopted\\_orders/water\\_quality/2003/wqo/wqo2003-0003.pdf](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_decisions/adopted_orders/water_quality/2003/wqo/wqo2003-0003.pdf). You are urged to familiarize yourself with the contents of the entire Order which prescribes mandatory discharge monitoring requirements. The project activities must be operated in accordance with the requirements contained in the Order and with the information submitted in the NOI. This NOA is specific for the project described in the February 2010 NOI and expires in five years from issuance.

### **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The Chevron Pipe Line Company (CPL) owns and operates the Bay Area Products Line. Refined petroleum products are transported from Richmond to a station near Brentwood through this pipeline system. CPL has determined that repairs are needed to a portion of the pipeline along the Sacramento Leg. The proposed repair activities at Site No. 116 include excavating a 300 foot trench (20 feet wide and six feet deep) to expose the pipeline for repair. The trench will transect Hass Slough where it will be necessary to install temporary dams to stop water from collecting in the trench. Dewatering of the trench is necessary to provide a dry area for maintenance operations. Approximately 380,400 gallons per day of groundwater and surface water, from Hass Slough that may enter the trench, will be discharged to 70 acres of agricultural fields located on Main Prairie Road in Solano County for irrigation, percolation, and/or evaporation. The project is expected to begin in May 2010 and be completed within 10 days.

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Once pipeline repairs have been completed, the temporary dams will be removed and all excavated soil will be used as backfill. All impacted areas will be returned to pre-construction conditions.

The groundwater discharged will be extracted from the same aquifer with little potential for evapoconcentration. Therefore, the discharge poses a low threat to groundwater quality.

### **MONITORING AND REPORTING**

The Discharger shall comply with the monitoring and reporting requirements prescribed in Monitoring and Reporting Program No. 2003-0003-DWQ.

Please review this Notice of Applicability carefully to ensure that it completely and accurately reflects the proposed project and dewatering discharge. If the discharge violates the terms or conditions above, the Central Valley Water Board may take enforcement action, including assessment of administrative civil liability. If the method of waste disposal changes from that described in the NOI, you must submit a new NOI. As required by the Order, all discharged water must remain on the agricultural field.

### **GENERAL INFORMATION AND REQUIREMENTS**

The Discharger shall comply with the Prohibitions, Discharge Specifications, Provisions, and Standard Provisions of Water Quality Order No. 2003-0003-DWQ. The Discharger will discharge the waste subject to the terms and conditions of Water Quality Order No. 2003-0003-DWQ and will maintain exclusive control over the discharge. As such, the Discharger is primarily responsible for compliance with Water Quality Order No. 2003-0003-DWQ.

Failure to comply with the requirements in the Order may result in an enforcement action as authorized by provisions of the California Water Code. Discharge of material other than described in the application is prohibited.

Within **60 days** of completion of the project, the Discharger shall submit a Notice of Termination using the standard form that accompanies Water Quality Order No. 2003-0003-DWQ.

If you have any question or comments regarding this NOA, please contact Mary Serra at (916) 464-4732 or at [mserra@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:mserra@waterboards.ca.gov). If you have questions regarding monitoring or compliance issues, please contact Anne Olson at (916) 464-4740 or [aolson@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:aolson@waterboards.ca.gov).

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Enclosure: Statewide General Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges to Land with a Low Threat to Water Quality, Water Quality Order No. 2003-0003-DWQ

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