



Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

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NOTICE OF RESCISSION, WATER QUALITY ORDER 2014-0153-DWQ-R5191; AETNA RESORTS, LLC; AETNA SPRINGS RESORT; NAPA COUNTY

We are in receipt of your 11 July 2022 request to rescind enrollment under General Waste Discharge Requirements for Small Domestic Wastewater Treatment Systems, Order WQ 2014-0153-DWQ (General Order). Aetna Resorts, LLC (hereafter "Discharger") owns and operates the Aetna Springs Resort (Resort) in Napa County. There are two wastewater treatment systems at the Resort. One services the northern portion of the Resort (North Aetna) which is regulated by Napa County; and the other services the southern portion of the Resort (South Aetna) which is regulated by the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board under WQ 2014-0153-DWQ-R5191.

Historically, South Aetna discharged wastewater to facultative ponds which were regulated under Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) Order 86-188. The Discharger planned to renovate South Aetna's infrastructure and construct a new wastewater treatment system to replace the existing pond system. The proposed treatment system was to consist of an advanced treatment membrane bioreactor, a chlorine disinfection system, and land application areas (subsurface drip fields and subsurface irrigation to the golf course).

On 22 January 2016, a Notice of Applicability (NOA) was issued to regulate the new South Aetna treatment system upon decommissioning of the facultative ponds and installation of the new treatment system. The facultative ponds were decommissioned in early November 2018 and WDRs Order 86-188 was rescinded on 8 February 2019. Renovations to South Aetna's infrastructure and installation of the wastewater treatment system were never executed. The project has been further delayed and no immediate renovations or construction of the treatment system is planned at this time. The Resort is temporarily closed and there are no waste discharges occurring at South Aetna.

MARK BRADFORD, CHAIR | PATRICK PULUPA, ESQ., EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Based on this information and at the request of the Discharger, coverage under the General Order is hereby rescinded for the South Aetna treatment system.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Lani Andam at 916-464-4723 or lani.andam@waterboards.ca.gov.

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