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## Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

19 June 2026

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### **NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY**

**RESOLUTION R5-2023-0061**  
**WAIVER OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS, REPORTS OF WASTE**  
**DISCHARGE, AND/OR WATER RECYCLING REQUIREMENTS FOR SPECIFIC**  
**TYPES OF DISCHARGE WITHIN THE CENTRAL VALLEY REGION**  
**RECOLOGY OSTROM ROAD**  
**CELL 9B EXPANSION DEWATERING PROJECT**  
**YUBA COUNTY**

On 1 April 2026, the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) received a Notice of Intent (NOI) from Recology Ostrom Road (hereafter referred to as Discharger). The Discharger seeks coverage under the Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements, Reports of Waste Discharge, and/or Water Recycling Requirements for Specific Types of Discharge within the Central Valley Region (Low Threat Waiver, Resolution R5-2023-0061) for temporary discharge of groundwater pumped from two on-site dewatering wells (DWRA-3 and DWRA-4) at the Ostrom Road Landfill to land for dust control and moisture conditioning during the Cell 9B expansion construction project. The NOI included a project description, site map, and characterization of the proposed discharge.

The submittal contains all the information required to evaluate the applicability of the discharge under the Low Threat Waiver. The discharge qualifies for the category of Small Temporary Dewatering Projects (Category 7 in Attachment A). Based on the information provided, the proposed discharge meets the conditions of the Waiver.

The discharge is hereby covered under the Low Threat Waiver and assigned enrollee number **R5-2023-0061-0047**. Please include this number on all correspondence related to this discharge. A copy of the Low Threat Waiver is available on [Central Valley Water Board's website](#).

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NICHOLAS AVDIS, CHAIR | PATRICK PULUPA, EXECUTIVE OFFICER

([https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\\_decisions/adopted\\_orders/waivers/r5-2023-0061.pdf](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/adopted_orders/waivers/r5-2023-0061.pdf))

## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Recology Ostrom Road (Recology) operates the Ostrom Road Landfill, a Class III municipal solid waste landfill located at 5900 Ostrom Road, Wheatland in Yuba County. The facility encompasses approximately 98.5 acres of developed landfill area situated in Township 14 North, Range 5 East, Sections 10, 11, 14, and 15. As part of an upcoming Cell 9B expansion project scheduled to occur June 2026 through August 2026, Recology proposes to temporarily dewater two on-site groundwater monitoring wells (DWRA-3 and DWRA-4) and apply the extracted groundwater to the construction area for dust suppression and moisture conditioning of native soils to support compaction operations. The dewatering discharge is temporary and will cease upon completion of the Cell 9B expansion. The discharge area is located within an Agricultural Exclusive (AE-80) land use zone.

Groundwater quality was characterized at both dewatering wells prior to submitting the NOI. Well DWRA-3 was sampled on 12 September 2024 and analyzed for volatile organic compounds (VOCs), inorganic anions, alkalinity, total dissolved solids (TDS), and dissolved major ions. Well DWRA-4 was sampled on 16 September 2025 and analyzed for VOCs and general water chemistry parameters (dissolved metals, alkalinity, anions, and TDS). VOC results from both wells showed no detections above reporting limits (ND), with the exception of toluene in DWRA-3, detected at 0.89 micrograms per liter (µg/L), which was well below the California Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) of 150 µg/L. Based on those results, additional sampling was requested to further evaluate constituents of concern prior to discharge. A follow-up composite sample identified as RA Discharge was collected on 20 May 2026 reflecting the combined discharge from RA-3 and RA-4 and was analyzed for VOCs using EPA Method 8260B. The follow-up VOC results were reported as not detected (ND) for toluene and all other VOCs. Results in Table 1 below from both wells indicate that the extracted groundwater is of low threat to water quality.

Table 1: Well Data

Parameter	Units	DWRA-3 (Sep 2024)	DWRA-4 (Sep 2025)	RA Discharge (May 2026)	CA MCL
Total Dissolved Solids (TDS)	mg/L	142	170	-	500
Chloride	mg/L	8.1	9.7	-	250
Sulfate	mg/L	17	14	-	250
Nitrate (as N)	mg/L	0.94	0.65	-	10
Toluene	µg/L	0.89	ND	ND	150
Field pH	S.U.	7.09	-	-	6.5–8.5
Specific Electrical Conductance	µmhos/cm	309.7	-	-	-

Dewatering water will be discharged intermittently to the land surface within the active construction area of the Cell 9B expansion at a rate of up to 80,000 gallons per day. The water will be used for moisture conditioning within the new landfill cell during construction and for dust suppression along the road directly adjacent to the new cell. All discharge will be confined to within the developed landfill facility and will not be allowed to flow offsite or come into contact with nearby surface water features. Based on the approximate length and width of the construction area, the estimated application area is 2 to 5 acres.

The Discharger will notify the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board prior to commencing discharge activities and within one week of completing discharge at the site. Upon request, the Discharger will submit a summary report to the Central Valley Water Board at the conclusion of the permit term documenting total discharge volumes.

The project is within the jurisdiction of the Central Valley Water Board, and the operative Water Quality Control Plan is the Sacramento and San Joaquin River Basin, Fifth Edition, revised February 2019 (hereafter Basin Plan). The Basin Plan designates beneficial uses, establishes water quality objectives, contains implementation plans and policies for protecting waters of the basin, and incorporates by reference plans and policies adopted by the State Water Board. Pursuant to §13263(a) of the California Water Code, waste discharge requirements must implement the Basin Plan.

## **FACILITY-SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS**

Please familiarize yourself with the contents of the Low Threat Waiver, including the Conditions of Discharge (Attachment A of the Waiver). The discharge must be managed in accordance with the requirements contained in the Conditions of Discharge and with the information submitted in the NOI and this Notice of Applicability (NOA). The Discharger is responsible for compliance with the Waiver and must provide sufficient oversight to ensure compliance and prompt reporting of any non-compliance. Upon completion of all dewatering and construction activities, the Discharger shall notify the Central Valley Water Board to request termination of coverage under this NOA. Discharge of dewatering water at a location or in a manner different from that described in the NOI or this NOA is prohibited.

## **DOCUMENT SUBMITTAL**

All monitoring reports and other correspondence should be converted to a searchable Portable Document Format (PDF) and submitted electronically. Documents that are less than 50 MB should be emailed to: [centralvalleysacramento@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:centralvalleysacramento@waterboards.ca.gov).

To ensure that your submittal is routed to the appropriate staff person, the following information should be included in the body of the email or any documentation submitted to the mailing address for this office:

**Facility Name:** Recology Ostrom Road Landfill-Water Reuse  
**Program:** Groundwater Quality Protection Permitting Program

**Order:** R5-2023-0061-0047  
**CIWQS Place ID:** 906417

Documents that are 50 MB or larger should be transferred to a CD, DVD, or flash drive and mailed to:

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board  
ECM Mailroom  
11020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200  
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

All documents, including responses to inspections and written notifications, submitted to comply with this NOA shall be directed, via the paperless office system, to the Compliance and Enforcement Unit, attention to Todd DeFrate. Mr. DeFrate can be reached at (916) 464-4737 or [Todd.DeFrate@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Todd.DeFrate@waterboards.ca.gov). [Todd.DeFrate@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Todd.DeFrate@waterboards.ca.gov). Questions regarding the permitting aspects of the Waiver, and notification for termination of coverage under this NOA, shall be directed, via the paperless office system, to the WDR Permitting Unit, attention Vishaal Kumar. Mr. Kumar can be reached at (916) 464-4625 or by email at [Vishaal.kumar@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Vishaal.kumar@waterboards.ca.gov).

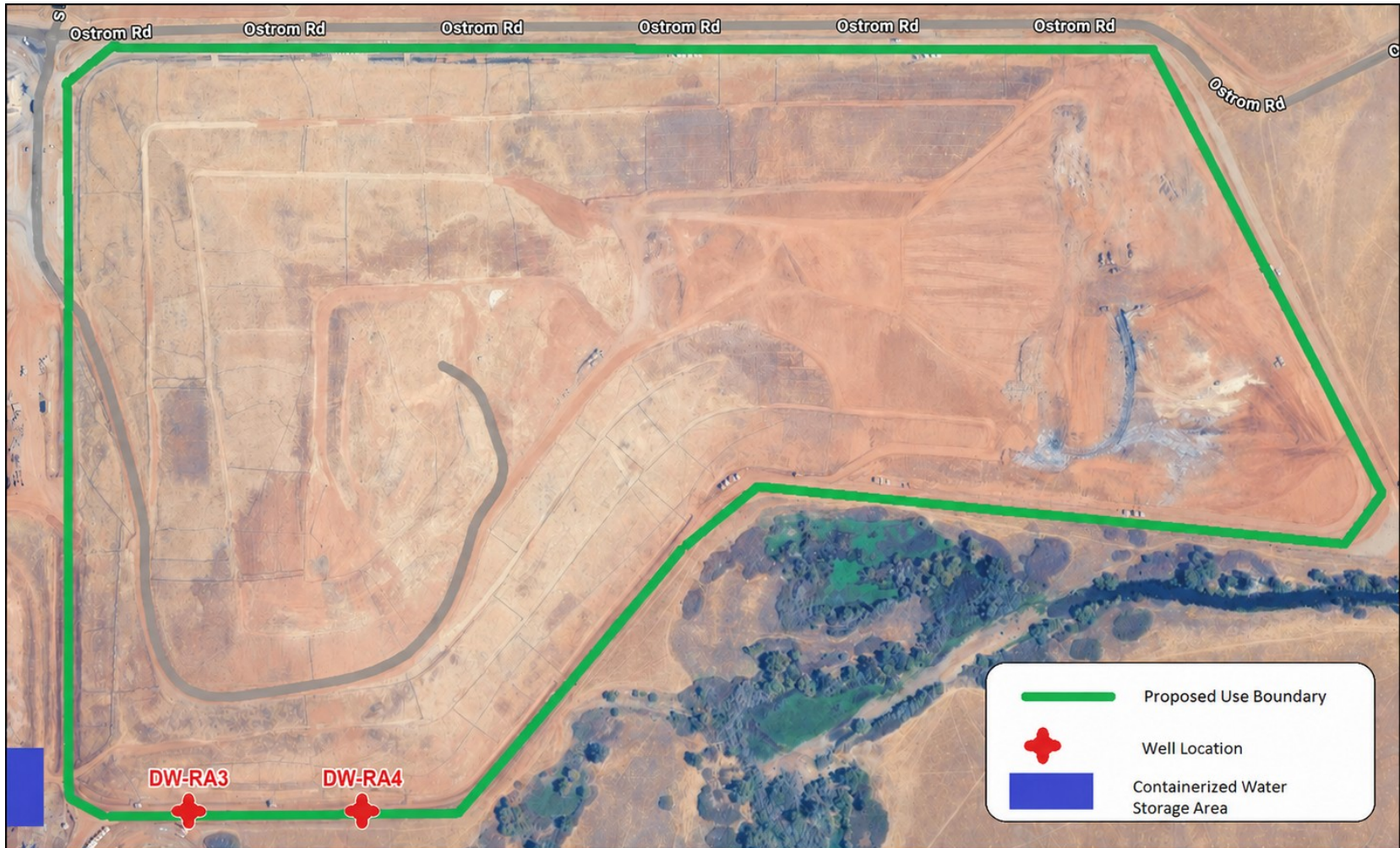
for Patrick Pulupa  
Executive Officer

Attachments: Attachment A – Site Map

cc:

Yuba County Environmental Health Department  
Joe Bendorf, Environmental Manager, Recology Ostrom Road  
Howard Hold, Central Valley Water Board

# ATTACHMENT A – PROJECT MAP



Drawing Reference:  
Discharger provided map.

**FACILITY AND USE AREA MAP**  
RECOLOGY OSTROM ROAD  
CELL 9B EXPANSION DEWATERING PROJECT  
YUBA COUNTY