

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114

**NOTICE OF
PUBLIC HEARING**
concerning

**TENTATIVE WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
For
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE- BEALE AIR FORCE BASE
ENHANCED IN-SITU BIOREMEDIATION OF VOLATILE ORGANIC CONSTITUENTS
AT SITE 31
YUBA COUNTY**

The United States Air Force (Discharger) owns/operates Beale Air Force Base that includes a groundwater pollution site known as Environmental Restoration Program (ERP) Site 31. The Air Force intends to operate an enhanced in-situ bioremediation system (EISB system) to provide remediation of groundwater polluted by volatile organic constituents (VOCs). Site 31 is in the south-central portion of the Base. The area designated as Site 31 contains concrete foundations, which are all that remain of Building 896. Building 896 was the site of a former laundry facility that operated during the 1940's. The site is now surrounded by open grazing land to the west and south, Bulk storage Area (Site 18) to the east and a contractor staging area to the north. The maximum historical concentration of TCE in groundwater beneath Site 31 is 18000 µg/L. The main VOC source area at Site 31 is west of former Building 896. A soil vapor extraction system (SVE system) operated at Site 31 near Building 896 and removed over 1000 pounds of VOCs from the vadose zone.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Regional Board meeting, which is scheduled for:

DATE: 3/4 May 2007
TIME: 8:30 am
PLACE: Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
11020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200
Rancho Cordova, California 95670

Persons wishing to comment on this noticed informal hearing item must submit evidence, if any, or comments in writing to the Regional Board no later than 5 April 2007. Written evidence or comments submitted after 5 April will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party.

All interested persons may speak at the Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony will be limited in time by the Board Chair.

An objection by a party, either in writing or at the time of the hearing, to the decision to hold an informal hearing shall be resolved by the Board Chair before going ahead under the informal procedure. Failure to make a timely objection to the use of the proposed hearing procedures before those procedures are used will constitute consent to an informal hearing.

Anyone having questions on the proposed waste discharge requirements contact Robert Reeves at (916) 464-4651. Interested parties may download the proposed Order and related documents from the Regional Board's Internet website at <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/tentative/>. Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Regional Board's office at 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

The procedures governing Regional Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Regional Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_laws/. Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Regional Board's website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_meetings/mtgprocd.html or by contacting any one of the Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

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JACK E. DELCONTE, Assistant Executive Officer

7 March 2007