

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION  
415 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 100, Redding, CA 96002

**PUBLIC HEARING**  
concerning

Consideration of Adoption of Waste Discharge Requirements  
(National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit)  
for

**CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME  
LAKE DAVIS PIKE ERADICATION PROJECT  
PLUMAS COUNTY**

The California Department of Fish and Game (Discharger) proposes to treat Lake Davis in Plumas County with the pesticide rotenone to eradicate Northern Pike in the lake.

The application of the pesticide to Lake Davis will result in the death of all fish and many invertebrates in Lake Davis. During the treatment and for a minimum of five days after, the outlet from Lake Davis to Big Grizzly Creek will be closed to prevent any residual rotenone from leaving the lake and impacting the creek. After the treatment, any residual pesticide must be treated or allowed to naturally degrade to prevent adverse impacts to Big Grizzly Creek downstream of Lake Davis. This Order requires the Discharger to either close the outlet to Lake Davis Dam until the rotenone formulations have naturally degraded to where they will have no adverse impacts on beneficial uses in Big Grizzly Creek or to treat the lake water in an off-stream system to neutralize the rotenone prior to discharging it to Big Grizzly Creek.

The Discharger submitted a Report of Waste Discharge and applied for a NPDES permit discharge up to 1.3 million gallons per day (mgd) of treated water from their rotenone neutralizing system to Big Grizzly Creek.

Two public hearings are scheduled for this matter. A hearing will be held in the City of Portola to allow for local citizens to attend and provide oral comments on the project. A quorum of the Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) will not be present and no action will be taken on the proposed permit. A second hearing will be held in Sacramento with a quorum present and where a decision will be made on whether to adopt the permit. It is not necessary to be present at both hearings, as all evidence and comments will be considered.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held by a panel comprised of a minority of the members of the Regional Water Control, and is scheduled for:

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME  
LAKE DAVIS PIKE ERADICATION PROJECT  
PLUMAS COUNTY

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DATE: 12 June 2007  
TIME: 6:00 p.m. .  
PLACE: Portola Station Baptist Church  
171 S. Gulling Street  
Portola, CA

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

DATE: 21/22 June 2007  
TIME: 8:30 a.m.  
PLACE: Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board  
11020 Sun Center Drive, #200  
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670-6114

Known designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

- Staff of the Regional Board
- Department of Fish and Game

Only designated parties will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to introduce exhibits; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. All other persons wishing to testify or provide comments are interested persons and not designated parties. Such interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Regional Board no later than **25 May 2007**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is directly affected by the discharge.

Persons wishing to comment on this noticed hearing item must submit evidence and/or comments in writing to the Regional Board no later than **25 May 2007**. Written evidence or comments submitted after **25 May 2007** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record, unless the Regional Board agrees to accept the evidence or comments and if doing so would not prejudice any party.

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

Anyone having questions regarding this issue should contact Philip V. Woodward at (530) 224-4853. The proposed Orders and related documents are available in three ways: from the Regional Board Internet website at <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/tentative/index.html>; at the Regional Board's office at 415 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 100, Redding, California, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.; and/or by contacting Philip V. Woodward at the above phone number to request they be mailed.

The procedures governing Regional Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and is available upon request. Hearings before the Regional 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/index.html](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_laws/index.html). 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](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_meetings/mtgprocd.html) or by contacting any one of the Regional 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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Assistant Executive Officer

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