The Kings Waste and Recycling Authority (hereafter referred to as Discharger) owns and maintains the closed Hanford Municipal Solid Waste Landfill at the intersection of State Highway 43 and the Hanford-Armona Road about 2.5 miles southwest of the City of Hanford in the NE ¼ of Section 4, T19S, R22E MDB&M. The facility currently contains one existing unlined waste management unit (Unit) covering 79 acres at the northern one-half of the facility. The Unit was closed with an engineered alternative composite final cover system in 1999. The Unit has released inorganic waste constituents and volatile organic compounds (VOCs) to groundwater. The facility is currently regulated by Waste Discharge Requirements Order R5-2007-0154, which prescribes requirements for postclosure maintenance and Cleanup and Abatement Order No. 96-706, which prescribes, in part, requirements for completing an evaluation monitoring program, completing an engineering feasibility study for corrective action, and establishing and implementing a corrective action program.

The Discharger proposes to remediate volatile organic compounds (VOCs) utilizing a groundwater extraction/aeration system and increasing landfill gas extraction in areas where the most significant concentrations of total VOCs in landfill gas and groundwater have been detected. Treated effluent from the aeration system is proposed to be discharged to on-site evaporation/percolation basins.

The proposed order provides for postclosure maintenance and the implementation of corrective action.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) meeting, which is scheduled for:

DATE:       June 5 and 6, 2014
TIME:       9:00 a.m.
PLACE:      Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region
            11020 Sun Center Drive #200
            Rancho Cordova, CA 95670-6114
The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

- Kings Waste and Recycling Authority

Designated parties, but not interested persons, will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. Central Valley Water Board staff will prepare the administrative record, and may present evidence, make an oral presentation and cross-examine opposing witnesses.

Interested persons may not cross examine witnesses, and will not be subject to cross examination. Interested persons may submit evidence (e.g., photographs, eye-witness testimony, monitoring data) if the evidence is submitted in accordance with the deadlines for submitting evidence described below. Interested persons who present evidence may be subject to cross-examination. Interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than 18 April 2014. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is affected by the discharge.

The tentative Waste Discharge Requirements were issued on 19 March 2014. Persons wishing to comment on this item must submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than by 5:00 p.m. on 18 April 2014. Written materials submitted after 5:00 p.m. on the above date will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record absent a ruling by the Central Valley Water Board Chair. A party requesting to submit late materials must demonstrate good cause for the late submission, and the Central Valley Water Board Chair must find that the late submission would not prejudice the Central Valley Water Board or any designated party.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Central Valley Water Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Central Valley Water Board Chair. Both designated parties and interested persons may be asked to respond to clarifying questions from Central Valley Water Board members, counsel staff or others, at the discretion of the Central Valley Water Board.

Anyone having questions on tentative waste discharge requirements should contact Kristen Pineda at (559) 445-5108 or by email at kpineda@waterboards.ca.gov. Interested parties may download the proposed Order and related documents from the Central Valley Water Board’s Internet website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/. Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the office of the Central Valley Water Board at 1685 E Street, Fresno, California, 93706, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. by appointment.

The final meeting agenda will be available at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/agendas/ at least ten days before the meeting. The agenda will provide the dates the Central Valley Water Board meeting will be held, indicate the anticipated order of agenda items, and may include staff revisions to the proposed order(s).
The procedures governing Central Valley 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 Central Valley 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/laws_regulations/. Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Central Valley Water Board’s website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml or by contacting any one of the Central Valley Water 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.

Original signed by:

DOUGLAS K. PATTESON, Supervising Engineer

3/19/2014