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 ORDER RENEWAL OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS NATIONAL POLLUTION DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT CA0077682 FOR SACRAMENTO REGIONAL COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT SACRAMENTO REGIONAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT SACRAMENTO COUNTY

The Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District (Discharger) is the owner and operator of the Sacramento Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant (Facility), a publicly owned treatment works located at 8521 Laguna Station Road, Elk Grove, California. The Facility provides sewerage services for the Cities of Sacramento, Folsom, and West Sacramento, the communities of Courtland and Walnut Grove, and the Sacramento Area Sewer District. The Sacramento Area Sewer District service area includes the Cities of Elk Grove, Rancho Cordova, Citrus Heights, as well as portions of the unincorporated areas of Sacramento County. The population served is approximately 1.61 million people. The design average dry weather flow capacity of the Facility is 181 million gallons per day. The Facility discharges to the Sacramento River, a water of the United States, just downstream of the Freeport Bridge via an outfall diffuser and is regulated by Waste Discharge Requirements Order R5-2016-0020-01 (NPDES No. CA0077682), issued by the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) on 21 April 2016 and amended by Order R5-2018-0058 on 2 August 2018.

A tentative Order is proposed to renew Order R5-2016-0020-01 (NPDES No. CA0078948). The tentative Order includes new or updated effluent limitations for ammonia, chlorodibromomethane, copper, cyanide, dichlorobromomethane, electrical conductivity, and nitrate plus nitrite. The proposed permit will remove existing effluent limitations for carbon tetrachloride and methylene chloride because the discharge does not demonstrate reasonable potential to cause or contribute to in-stream exceedances of the applicable water quality objectives for these constituents.

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A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Water Board meeting scheduled for:

DATE:	22/23 April 2021
TIME:	8:30 a.m.
PLACE:	Online Meeting

In accordance with Executive Orders suspending certain provisions of the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act in light of the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting will be conducted as an online meeting only. Please visit our website for information on <u>How to participate in online meetings</u> at:

(https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/).

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

• Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District Representatives

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 Central Valley Water Board no later than **5:00 p.m.** on **5 March 2021**. 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 shall submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board email at <u>RB5S-NPDES-Comments@waterboards.ca.gov</u> no later than 5:00 p.m. on **5 March 2021**. Written evidence or comments submitted after 5:00 p.m. on **5 March 2021** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record absent a ruling by the Board Chair. Any party requesting to submit late materials must demonstrate good cause for the late submission, and the Chair must find that accepting the late submission will 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 Board Chair.

Anyone having questions regarding the hearing item should contact Mr. Tyson Pelkofer at (916) 464-4853 or <u>tyson.pelkofer@waterboards.ca.gov</u>. Interested parties may download the tentative Order and related documents from the Central Valley Water Board's <u>Tentative Orders Page</u>

(http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/). Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING 3 SACRAMENTO REGIONAL COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT SACRAMENTO REGIONAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT SACRAMENTO COUNTY

Central Valley Water 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 final meeting agenda

(https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/) will be available at least **10 days** before the meeting. The agenda will provide the specific date the Board Meeting will be held for this item, indicate the anticipated order of all agenda items, and may include staff revisions to the proposed order.

The Procedures Governing Central Valley Water Board Meetings

(http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/) 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.

Information on Meeting and Hearing Procedures

(http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml) is available on the Central Valley Water Board's website or by contacting any one of the Central Valley Water Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to the Central Valley Water Board Sacramento Office at (916) 464-3291.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to send an e-mail to <u>agenda5@waterboards.ca.gov</u> or call (916) 464-4620 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.

Adam Laputz, Assistant Executive Officer