



## Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

## NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT AND PUBLIC HEARING

## Concerning Proposed Exemption Resolution for Goose Lake Watershed Irrigated Pasture in the Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) is proposing to amend Order R5-2014-0030-08 *Waste Discharge Requirements General Order for Growers within the Sacramento River Watershed that are Members of the Third-Party Group for the Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program (ILRP).* 

The Central Valley Water Board is currently proposing to revise Order R5-2014-0030-08 to exempt operations located in the Goose Lake Watershed.

An exemption resolution to revise Order R5-2014-0030-08 has been developed and is the subject of this public comment period and public hearing notice.

For electronic copies of the exemption resolution and staff recommendations document, please email your request to Dana Kulesza at <a href="mailto:dana.kulesza@waterboards.ca.gov">dana.kulesza@waterboards.ca.gov</a>.

Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting one of the Central Valley Water Board's offices on weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.:

- 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670
- 1685 E Street, Fresno, California 93706
- 364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 205, Redding, California 96002

A public hearing concerning the proposed exemption resolution will be held on-line and potentially in-person at the Cal/EPA building in Sacramento on 12 and 13 August 2021.

This hearing is to receive oral comments and consider adoption of the proposed exemption resolution. The Board will only consider adoption of the proposed exemption resolution and will not be re-considering other aspects of the ILRP. The hearing date and location are noted below:

15 June 2021

Date: 12 to 13 August 2021

(Please contact staff two weeks prior to the meeting for the exact date.)

**Time:** 9:00 a.m.

**Place:** Zoom and potentially at Cal/EPA Building – 1001 "I" Street, Sacramento

(More information will be available in the August Board Meeting agenda)

The <u>final meeting agenda</u> (www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\_info/meetings/) will be available online at least 10 days before the meeting. The agenda will provide the hearing date for the proposed exemption resolution, indicate the anticipated order of agenda items, include all material related to this agenda item, and may include staff revisions.

The Board is inviting the public, stakeholders, and representatives of other agencies to submit written comments on the proposed exemption resolution from **15 June 2021** through **16 July 2021**.

Persons submitting written comments are encouraged to do so electronically by sending them to <a href="mailto:sue.mcconnell@waterboards.ca.gov">sue.mcconnell@waterboards.ca.gov</a>. Otherwise, written comments may be sent to the Central Valley Water Board's Rancho Cordova address listed on the first page to the attention of Sue McConnell. Materials received by **16 July 2021** will be included in the administrative record; submitted comments will be considered, and a written response to the comments will be prepared by Board staff.

At the hearing, Board staff will present a final recommendation for the Central Valley Water Board's consideration. All persons will be provided the opportunity to present oral comments to the Central Valley Water Board at the hearing. Oral presentations will be limited to **3-minutes** at the discretion of the Board Chair. Groups are encouraged to designate a spokesperson and to contact Sue McConnell at <a href="mailto:sue.mcconnell@waterboards.ca.gov">sue.mcconnell@waterboards.ca.gov</a> no later than 11 August 2021 if they anticipate requiring more than three minutes for oral comments. Persons making oral comments may be asked to respond to clarifying questions from Central Valley Water Board members, counsel, staff, or others, at the discretion of the Board Chair. The Chair may, at his discretion, allow presenters to supplement their oral testimony with slides or other digital media. If you plan to use visual aids such as PowerPoint slides, contact staff prior to the meeting to arrange for equipment set-up. You must provide an electronic copy of any visual aids one day prior to the hearing.

Notice the <u>regulations governing adjudicatory hearings before the Central Valley Water Board</u> (www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws\_regulations/) may be found at California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 648 et seq., and are available online. Copies of these regulations will be provided upon request. Except as provided in Section 648(b), Chapter 5 of the California Administrative Procedures Act (Gov. Code, section 11500 et seq.) does not apply to this hearing. For questions regarding the hearing procedure, please e-mail <u>agenda5@waterboards.ca.gov</u> or call (916) 464-3291.

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Any questions regarding the proposed action should be directed to Sue McConnell at (916) 464-4798 or <a href="mailto:sue.mcconnell@waterboards.ca.gov">sue.mcconnell@waterboards.ca.gov</a>.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations or interpreter services are requested to e-mail <a href="mailto:agenda5@waterboards.ca.gov">agenda5@waterboards.ca.gov</a> or call (916) 464-3291 at least 10 business 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

ADAM LAPUTZ, Assistant Executive Officer 15 June 2021