

**11 AUGUST 2022 BOARD MEETING
UNCONTESTED AGENDA ITEM**

AGENDA ITEM: 10

SUBJECT:

Consideration of New General Waste Discharge Requirements for Maintenance Dredging Operations

BOARD ACTION:

Consideration of New General Waste Discharge Requirements for Maintenance Dredging Operations

BACKGROUND:

The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board is proposing a new General Waste Discharge Requirements Order for maintenance dredging projects to allow maintenance dredging, placement of dredge spoils to dredge material placement sites, beneficial reuse of dewatered dredge material, and the discharge of return water to surface waters and infiltration to groundwater. Dredging of accumulated sediment in surface waters is necessary to maintain storage or flow capacity, safe navigation and passage, flood control, water conveyance, public access and recreation. Sediments deposited by rivers and waterways must be periodically removed to maintain these uses.

Discharges from facilities that are eligible for coverage under the proposed General Order are new discharges seeking regulatory coverage that would otherwise be required to pursue an individual waste discharge requirements order.

ISSUES:

A tentative Order was issued for public comment on 15 June 2022 with comments due by 15 July 2022. No comments were received.

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt the proposed New General Waste Discharge Requirements

REVIEWS:

Management Review:	
Legal Review:	

BOARD MEETING LOCATION:

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
11020 Sun Center Dr. #200
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