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## Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

9 March 2023

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**NOTICE  
TENTATIVE CEASE AND DESIST ORDER AND  
PUBLIC HEARING**

**FOR**

**CITY OF ARVIN  
ARVIN WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY  
KERN COUNTY**

Enclosed is a tentative Cease and Desist Order (CDO) proposed for consideration by the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) pursuant to California Water Code sections 13301 and 13260. The tentative CDO alleges that the City of Arvin (City or Discharger) has violated its Waste Discharge Requirements Order 5-00-093 (WDRs Order) and that its wastewater treatment facility (WWTF) does not have adequate storage and disposal capacity necessary to comply with the WDRs Order. The tentative CDO proposes actions, including a restriction on new connections to the City's sewer collection system, and a time schedule to bring it back into compliance with its WDRs Order. The tentative CDO was previously noticed in October 2022, and the Prosecution Team has not made substantial changes to the required actions in the tentative CDO.

The Central Valley Water Board's Prosecution Team intends to bring this matter for a hearing before the Central Valley Water Board at the **26-28 April 2023** Board meeting in Bakersfield. The hearing will be governed by Hearing Procedures, including comment deadlines, that will be issued by the Central Valley Water Board's Advisory Team prior to the Board meeting.

The Prosecution Team proposes that any comments or recommendations you, or any member of the public, may have concerning the tentative CDO be submitted to this office in writing by 5:00 PM on **23 March 2023** to ensure that they may be considered

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prior to the meeting of the Central Valley Water Board. All comments should also be submitted by email to: [omar.mostafa@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:omar.mostafa@waterboards.ca.gov)

The proposed **23 March 2023** comment deadline may be superseded by comment deadlines established by the Advisory Team in the forthcoming Hearing Procedures.

In order to conserve resources, this letter transmits paper copies of the documents to the Discharger only. Interested persons may view the tentative CDO and related materials on the Central Valley Water Board's website at:

[Tentative Orders Website](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/)

([https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\\_decisions/tentative\\_orders/](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/))

Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley Water Board's office weekdays between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM.

If you have any questions regarding the tentative CDO or related materials, please contact Omar Mostafa at (559) 445-5197 or by email at [omar.mostafa@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:omar.mostafa@waterboards.ca.gov).



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Enclosure: Tentative CDO

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