

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION
1685 "E" Street, Fresno, California 93706

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
concerning

**RENEWAL OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
(NPDES NO. CA0081485)**

**FOR
CUTLER-OROSI JOINT POWERS WASTEWATER AUTHORITY
WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY
TULARE COUNTY**

The Cutler-Orosi Joint Powers Wastewater Authority (Authority) is the operator of a wastewater treatment facility (Facility), a publicly owned treatment works, located at 40401 Road 120, Cutler, California. The Facility serves a population of approximately 15,700 from the communities of Cutler, Orosi, East Orosi, Yettlem, Seville, and Sultana. The Facility is currently regulated by Waste Discharge Requirements Order R5-2013-0047-01 (NPDES Permit No. CA0081485) to discharge treated wastewater to Sand Creek, a water of the United States, and to cropland owned by the Authority. The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) will consider renewal of the Waste Discharge Requirements/NPDES Permit. The proposed permit includes final effluent limitations for biochemical oxygen demand, total suspended solids, electrical conductivity, pH, copper, chloride, boron, un-ionized ammonia, settleable solids, total coliform, and acute whole effluent toxicity. The proposed permit removes the narrative chronic whole effluent toxicity effluent limitation due to a lack of representative data but includes additional monitoring requirements in order to obtain representative data.

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

DATE: 5-6 April 2018
TIME: 8:30 a.m. or 9:00 a.m.
PLACE: Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
1685 "E" Street
Fresno, CA 93706

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

- Cutler-Orosi Joint Powers Wastewater 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 a request in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **19 March 2018**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party, and, in particular, how the person is affected by the discharge.

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The tentative order will be available online no later than 16 February 2018. Any person or party 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 **5 p.m. on 19 March 2018**. Comments must be emailed to centralvalleyfresno@waterboards.ca.gov with a carbon copy to Nicolette Dentoni at Nicolette.Dentoni@waterboards.ca.gov. Testimony, evidence, and/or written comments submitted after **5 p.m. on 19 March 2018** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record absent a ruling by the Board Chair. A party requesting to submit late materials must demonstrate good cause for the late submission, and the 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 hearing and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Board Chair. Both designated parties and interested persons may be asked to respond to clarifying questions from Board members, counsel staff, or others at the discretion of the Central Valley Water Board.

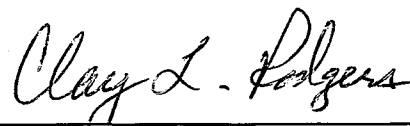
Anyone having questions on the tentative order should contact Nicolette Dentoni at (559) 444-2505 or at Nicolette.Dentoni@waterboards.ca.gov. Persons or parties may download the tentative order and related documents from the Central Valley Water Board's Internet website at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/. Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley Water Board's office at 1685 "E" Street, Fresno, California 93706, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The documents will be available no later than 16 February 2018.

The final Central Valley Water Board meeting agenda will be available at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/#2018 at least ten days before the meeting. The agenda will provide the date the hearing will be held, indicate the anticipated order of agenda items, and may include staff revisions to the tentative order.

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.



CLAY L. RODGERS, Assistant Executive Officer

13 February 2018