

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 REVISED WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
FOR
STANISLAUS COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES
FINK ROAD LANDFILL
CLASS II AND CLASS III LANDFILL
CONSTRUCTION, OPERATIONS, CLOSURE, POST-CLOSURE MAINTENANCE,
AND CORRECTIVE ACTION
STANISLAUS COUNTY

Revised waste discharge requirements (WDRs) are tentatively being issued to Stanislaus County Department of Environmental Resources as the operator and landowner, also known as the discharger (Discharger) for the Fink Road Landfill (Facility) located at 4000 Fink Road, Crows Landing, in Stanislaus County near the Interstate 5 freeway about six miles south of the City of Patterson and 4.5 miles west of the town of Crows Landing.

Fink Road Landfill is an existing active 203-acre municipal solid waste (MSW) landfill facility. This revised Order continues to prescribe waste discharge requirements for construction, operation, monitoring, corrective action, closure, and/or postclosure maintenance of three classified landfill units and two classified surface impoundment units under Title 27 regulations. The revised Order includes amongst other things prohibitions, specifications, and provisions for (a) Construction of three additional landfill modules (LF-2 Cells 5 & 6 and LF-3 Cell 4); (b) Plans for infill and vertical expansion of LF-2 that would extend the estimated active life of the Facility by 27 years; (c) An updated Preliminary Closure and Postclosure Maintenance Plan for landfill closure after lateral and vertical expansion of LF-2; (d) An updated slope stability analysis and pipe hydraulics and loading calculations for the proposed infill and vertical expansion of LF-2; and (e) An updated Water Quality Protection Standards Report.

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

DATE: 12/13 August 2021
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
PLACE: Remotely unless Covid-19 restrictions are lifted

THIS PUBLIC MEETING IS CURRENTLY IDENTIFIED TO TAKE PLACE VIA VIDEO AND TELECONFERENCE ONLY, BUT THE FORMAT MAY BE CHANGED IN THE FUTURE TO ALSO ALLOW FOR IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE. ANY PERSON DESIRING TO RECEIVE FUTURE NOTICES ABOUT CHANGES TO THE DATE, TIME, LOCATION, OR FORMAT OF THE PUBLIC HEARING SHOULD SIGN UP FOR THE LYRIS E-MAIL LIST, AS DESCRIBED BELOW.

Additional information on participating in the public hearing can be found on the [Regional Board Meeting Calendar webpage](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/) (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/).

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 [How To Participate In Online Meetings](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/2006/#howtoattend) (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/2006/#howtoattend).

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

- Stanislaus County Department of Environmental Resources

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 7 July 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.

The Tentative Permit was issued for a 30-day public comment period on **7 June 2021** and comments are due by **5:00 p.m. on 7 July 2021**. Written evidence or comments submitted after **5:00 p.m. on 7 July 2021** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record absent a ruling by the Board Chair. Any person 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 Brad Shelton at (916) 464-1588 or brad.shelton@waterboards.ca.gov. Interested persons may contact Brad Shelton to obtain a copy of the tentative Order and related documents. Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the 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](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/) (http://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/) (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) (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 Ms. Janelle Brown at (916) 464-4745.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Janelle Brown at (916) 464-4745 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.

John J. Baum, Assistant Executive Officer

7 June 2021