

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION**

[TENTATIVE] ORDER R5-2026-XXXX

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (Central Valley Water Board), finds that the Board adopted the following Orders, which are no longer applicable for the reasons shown:

A) CELLA MOUNTAIN, LLC; FRANZIA SANGER WINERY; WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS ORDER NO. R5-2014-0094; FRESNO COUNTY

Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) Order R5-2014-0094 was adopted on 8 August 2014 and prescribes requirements for the discharge of process wastewater from the Franzia Sanger Winery (Facility) in Fresno County. The Facility is located at 2916 South Reed Avenue in Sanger, CA, and is owned by Cella Mountain, LLC (Discharger) and operated by The Wine Group, LLC. WDRs Order R5-2014-0094 authorizes the discharge of winery process wastewater up to 0.459 million gallons per day (as a 30-day average), or 70 million gallons annually to a land application area.

On 17 July 2025, the Discharger submitted a letter to the Central Valley Water Board requesting to rescind the WDRs Order as winery operations had ceased, and the Facility officially closed on 30 June 2025. Central Valley Water Board staff (Staff) conducted inspections of the Facility on 15 and 18 July 2025, which are documented in a 31 July 2025 letter to the Discharger. Staff's 31 July 2025 letter indicates that the Facility groundwater monitoring wells had been destroyed, the wastewater sump was cleaned out, the discharge line to the land application areas was disconnected, and waste solids were removed from the property. Staff's letter concluded that the Discharger had completed all tasks required for rescission of WDRs Order. Therefore, it is appropriate to rescind WDRs Order R5-2014-0094.

B) CELLA MOUNTAIN, LLC; FRANZIA SANGER WINERY; TIME SCHEDULE ORDER NO. R5-2014-0095; FRESNO COUNTY

Time Schedule Order (TSO) R5-2014-0095 was adopted on 8 August 2014 and prescribes a compliance schedule for the Franzia Sanger Winery (Facility) to achieve compliance with specific limitations and specifications specified by Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) Order R5-2014-0094. The Facility is located at 2916 South Reed Avenue in Sanger, CA, and is owned by Cella Mountain, LLC (Discharger) and operated by The Wine Group, LLC. WDRs Order R5-2014-094 authorizes the discharge of winery process wastewater up to 0.459 million gallons per day (as a 30-day average), or 70 million gallons annually to a land application area. Winery

operations have ceased and the Facility closed on 30 June 2025, and WDRs Order is being considered for rescission. Therefore, it is also appropriate to rescind TSO R5-2014-0095.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above Orders are rescinded.

I, PATRICK PULUPA, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region on 17 April 2026.

TENTATIVE

PATRICK PULUPA, Executive
Officer