

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 205, Redding, CA 96002

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Concerning

**WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
FOR
SIERRA PACIFIC INDUSTRIES
OROVILLE CEDAR MILL
WASTEWATER RECYCLE/DISPOSAL PONDS
BUTTE COUNTY**

Sierra Pacific Industries (SPI) (hereafter "Discharger") owns and operates a facility that generates wastewater, which has a land discharge area (Pond) and is responsible for compliance with these Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs). The Discharger submitted a Report of Waste Discharge (RWD) to update Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) for an existing privately owned wastewater recycle/disposal pond. Approximately 864,000 gallons/day (gpd) of onsite well water and/or combined storm water mix (seasonally) are sprinkled over cedar logs stored on the Facility's 21 acre paved log deck. This water either absorbs into the logs, evaporates, or runs off the log deck into the Facility's 5 acre unlined recycle/disposal pond. The Facility is currently regulated under Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) Order 5-00-207.

The Central Valley Water Board will consider adoption of the tentative WDRs at a public hearing that will be conducted during the Board meeting scheduled for:

DATE: 31 May/ 1 June 2018
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
PLACE: Regional Water Quality Control Board
11020 Sun Center Drive #200
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670-6114

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

- Mike Vinum, Manager, SPI Oroville Cedar Mill
- Jeremy Higgins, Environmental Manager, Sierra Pacific Ind.

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 request in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **5:00 pm on 20 April 2018**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is affected by the discharge. The tentative Waste Discharge Requirements was issued on **19 March 2018**. Persons 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 **5:00 p.m. on 20 April 2018**. Written materials submitted after this date and time will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any 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. 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 Board.

Anyone having questions on the tentative documents should contact Ron Falkowski at (530) 224-3227, or at ron.falkowski@waterboards.ca.gov. Interested parties may download the proposed 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 364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 205, Redding, CA 96002 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

The final meeting agenda will be available at least ten days before the meeting at:

www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/

The agenda will provide the dates that the Board meeting will be held, indicate the anticipated order of agenda items, and may include staff revisions to the proposed order(s).

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 Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing

www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/

Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Board's website at:

www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml

or by contacting any of the 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.

Original signed by

Bryan J. Smith, P.E.
Supervising Water Resource Control Engineer