
Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

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APPROVAL OF ADDENDUM TO THE 2017 MONITORING PLAN UPDATE AND ANNUAL REPORT FARM EVALUATION SUMMARY ANALYSIS – EAST SAN JOAQUIN WATER QUALITY COALITION

Thank you for the timely submittal of an addendum to the 2017 Monitoring Plan Update (MPU) and Annual Report. Staff reviewed the Farm Evaluation Summary Analysis and the MPU addendums for compliance with the Monitoring and Reporting Program R5-2012-0116-R3 (Order).

The Farm Evaluation Addendum includes analysis of 557 surveys received after the submittal of the 2017 Annual Report bringing the total number of 2016 Farm Evaluations received to 91%. I appreciate the Coalition's effort to receive all of the required Farm Evaluations - the additional farm management practice information reported in the Farm Evaluation Addendum helps the Board to determine the practices implemented by members in the Coalition region. Staff is also actively pursuing enforcement actions and on-farm inspections to bring noncompliant Coalition members into compliance with the Order.

Staff also determined that the update to the monitoring schedule proposed in the MPU Addendum is justified. The Coalition considered monitoring results (June - September 2017) and pesticide use information at Lateral 5 ½ @ South Blaker Rd, and proposes to add *Selenastrum Capricornutum* toxicity monitoring to the August 2018 monitoring schedule.

Based on the staff evaluation of the MPU Addendum, I approve the proposed changes to the 2018 WY monitoring schedule. If you have any questions or comments regarding this approval letter, please contact Yared Kebede by phone at (916) 464-4828 or by email at yared.kebede@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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