

Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board

July 25, 2025

TO: ATTACHED MAILING LIST as bcc

Change of Name and/or Ownership of Facilities with Waste Discharge Requirements, Kern and San Bernardino Counties

Enclosed is a tentative Order for the change of name and/or ownership of multiple facilities with waste discharge requirements in Kern and San Bernardino Counties: Board Order No. R6V-2021-0020, Soledad Mountain Project; Board Order No. 6-86-63, Fort Cady Borate Mine; Board Order No. R6V-2006-0024, Community Landfill and Company Landfill; Board Order No. R6V-2010-0047, Mountain Pass Mine and Mill Operations; Board Order No. R6V-2004-0042, Closed P-16 Landfill; Board Order No. 6-00-74, Former Tailings Impoundment P-1; Board Order No. R6V-2005-0011, Mountain Pass Mine and Mill Facility Disposal of Waste to Lined and Unlined Ponds; Board Order No. 6-85-8, Mount Whitney Fish Hatchery Employee Residences; Board Order No. R6V-2002-0007, Calaveras Cement Company Plant; and Board Order No. 6-94-60, Snow Valley Ski Area.

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region (Water Board) requests that you review the enclosed documents and provide us with your written comments no later than **August 26, 2025**. Please send your comments to the Water Board's email address at Lahontan@waterboards.ca.gov and include "**Change of Name and/or Ownership of Facilities Comments**" in the subject line text. If you do not have access to the internet, you may mail your comments to the Water Board's Victorville office at 15095 Amargosa Road, Bldg. 2, Suite 210, Victorville, CA 92394 to the attention of Christina Guerra.

The Water Board will consider adopting the Order at its regular meeting scheduled for November 5 and 6, 2025. You can view the Water Board's meeting agenda 10 days before the meeting on our web site at: www.waterboards.ca.gov/lahontan (click on Agenda). If you have questions regarding this notice, please contact Christina Guerra at (760) 241-7333 or (christina.guerra@waterboards.ca.gov).

Enclosure: Tentative Order for Change of Name and/or Ownership of Facilities with Waste Discharge Requirements, Kern and San Bernardino Counties

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
LAHONTAN REGION**

BOARD ORDER NO. R6-2025-TENTATIVE

**CHANGE OF NAME AND/OR OWNERSHIP OF FACILITIES
WITH WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS**

Kern and San Bernardino Counties

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region (Water Board) finds:

1. Reason for Action

The Water Board has identified the facilities listed in Attachment A that have a change of name and/or ownership since the adoption of waste discharge requirements (Board Orders). These Board Orders need to be revised to show the current name and/or ownership of these facilities.

2. Facilities

The ten facilities and their respective Board Orders are listed in Attachment A of this Order.

3. California Environmental Quality Act

This action is exempt from provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code, Section 21000 et seq) in accordance with section 15301, Title 14, California Code of Regulations.

4. Right to Petition

Any person aggrieved by this Lahontan Water Board action may petition the State Water Board for review in accordance with Water Code section 13320 and California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 2050 et seq. To be timely, the petition must be received by the State Water Board by 5:00 pm on the 30th day after the date of this Order; if the 30th day falls on a Saturday, Sunday or state holiday, the petition must be received by the State Water Board by 5:00 pm on the next business day. The law and regulations applicable to filing petitions are available on the [State Water Board website](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/public_notices/petitions/water_quality) (http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/public_notices/petitions/water_quality). Copies will also be provided upon request.

5. Notification of Interested Parties

The Water Board has notified the dischargers of its intent to amend the Orders by revising the current name and/or ownership of the facilities.

6. Public Meeting

The Water Board, in a public meeting, heard and considered all comments pertaining to the Order.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT the following Orders are amended by updating the discharge facility name and/or ownership name and address as shown in Attachment A.

I, Ben Letton, Executive Officer, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region, on November 5, 2025.

BEN LETTON
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Attachment: A. List of Change of Name and/or Ownership Facilities

ATTACHMENT A - List of Facilities and Board Orders for Change of Name and/or Ownership

Order Number	Current Facility Name	Current Operator(s)	Current Owner(s)	New Facility Name	New Operator(s)	New Owner(s)
R6V-2021-0020	Soledad Mountain Project	Golden Queen Mining Co., LLC	Gauss Holdings, LLC, U.S. Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management	Golden Queen Mining Co., LLC	Golden Queen Mining Co., LLC	Soledad Holdings, Inc., U.S. Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management
6-88-63	Fort Cady Borate Mine	Fort Cady Minerals Corporation	Fort Cady Minerals Corporation	Fort Cady Borate Mine	5E Boron Americas, LLC	5E Boron Americas, LLC
R6V-2006-0024	Community Landfill and Company Landfill	Molycorp, In.	Molycorp, Inc.	Mountain Pass Mine Community and Closed Legacy Industrial Landfills	MP Mine Operations LLC	MP Mine Operations LLC
R6V-2010-0047	Mountain Pass Mine and Mill Operations	Molycorp Minerals LLC	Molycorp Minerals LLC	Mountain Pass Mine and Mill Operations	MP Mine Operations LLC	MP Mine Operations LLC
R6V-2004-0042	Closed P-16 Landfill	Molycorp, Inc.	Molycorp, Inc.	Mountain Pass Mine North Tailings Pond P-16	MP Mine Operations LLC	MP Mine Operations LLC
6-00-74	Former Tailings Impoundment P-1	Molycorp, Inc.	Molycorp, Inc.	Mountain Pass Mine West Tailings Pond P-1	MP Mine Operations LLC	MP Mine Operations LLC

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R6V-2005-0011	Mountain Pass Mine and Mill Facility Disposal of Waste to Lined and Unlined Ponds	Molycorp, Inc.	Molycorp, Inc.	Mountain Pass Mine and Mill Facility Disposal of Waste to Lined and Unlined Ponds	MP Mine Operations LLC	MP Mine Operations LLC
6-85-8	Mount Whitney Fish Hatchery Employee Residences	U.S. Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management	California Department of Fish and Wildlife	Mount Whitney Fish Hatchery	Fort Independence Indian Community	U.S. Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management
R6V-2002-0007	Calaveras Cement Company Plant	Martin Marietta Southern California Cement LLC	Martin Marietta Southern California Cement LLC	Tehachapi Cement Plant	Tehachapi Cement LLC	Tehachapi Cement LLC
6-94-60	Snow Valley Ski Area	Nordic Group of Companies	Nordic Group of Companies	Snow Valley Resort	Snow Summit LLC	Snow Summit LLC