

## California Regional Water Quality Control Board

## **Los Angeles Region**



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Mr. Robert Newman, Director City of Santa Clarita 23920 Valencia Boulevard, Suite 300 Santa Clarita, CA 91355-2196 Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested Claim No. 7001 1140 0000 1129 6142

Dear Mr. Newman:

COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS – CITY OF SANTA CLARITA – SEGMENT B OF SOUTH RIVER TRAIL REPAIR PROJECT, SANTA CLARA RIVER SOUTH BANK, SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA (NPDES NO. CAG994004, CI-9152)

We have completed our review of your application for a permit to discharge groundwater to surface waters under a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. You propose to discharge up to 2.5 million gallons per day (mgd) of groundwater during constructon to repair the South River Trail along the South Santa Clara River Bank in the City of Santa Clarita. The short-term construction dewatering will be completed in approximately four months. The high rate of discharge is necessary because the construction project is being conducted along the bank of the Santa Clara River. Should the construction project for this segment last past six months, then the discharge rate will be limited to no greater than 1.0 mgd.

Based on the attached Fact Sheet and other information provided, we have determined that the proposed discharge at the above-referenced site meets the conditions to be regulated under Order No. R4-2003-0111, General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit and Waste Discharge Requirements for Groundwater Discharges from Construction and Project Dewatering to Surface Waters in Coastal Watersheds of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties, adopted by this Board on August 7, 2003.

Enclosed are your Waste Discharge Requirements, which also serve as your NPDES permit, consisting of Order No. R4-2003-0111 and Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-9152. The discharge limitations in Part E.1.a. and b. of Order No. R4-2003-0111 for the specific constituents listed on the Table with the enclosed Fact Sheet are applicable to your discharge. The groundwater discharge flows into the Santa Clara River (between Bouquet Canyon Road Bridge and West Pier Highway 99), therefore the discharge limitations in Attachment B.3.c. of Order No. R4-2003-0111 are applicable to your discharge. Prior to starting discharge, a representative sample of the effluent shall be obtained and analyzed to determine compliance with the discharge limitations.

The Monitoring and Reporting Program requires you to implement the monitoring program on the effective date of coverage under this permit. All monitoring reports should be sent to the Regional Board, <u>ATTN: Information Technology Unit.</u> When submitting monitoring or technical reports to

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the Regional Board per these requirements, please include a reference to "Compliance File No. CI-9152 and NPDES No. CAG994004", which will assure that the reports are directed to the appropriate file and staff. Also, please do not combine other reports with your monitoring reports. Submit each type of report as a separate document.

In order to avoid future annual fees, please submit written notification when the project has been completed and the permit is no longer needed.

We are sending a copy of Order No. R4-2003-0111 only to the applicant. For those on the mailing list, please refer to the Board Order sent to you previously or download a copy of the Order from our website at <a href="http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/rwqcb4/html/permits/general\_permits.html">http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/rwqcb4/html/permits/general\_permits.html</a>.

If you have any questions, please contact James Tang at (213) 576-6696.

Sincerely,

## **ORIGINAL SIGN BY**

Jonathan S. Bishop Executive Officer

## **Enclosures:**

General NPDES No. CAG994004, Order No. R4-2003-0111 Fact Sheet
Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-9152

cc: Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, Permit Section (WTR-5)
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service
Department of Interior, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Philip Isorena, State Water Resource Control Board, NPDES Unit
California Department of Fish and Game, Marine Resources, Region 5
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