
Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

October 10, 2017

Interested Parties

TENTATIVE TERMINATION OF WASTE DISCHARGE WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS (WDRs) AND NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT FOR DISCHARGES OF GROUNDWATER FROM POTABLE WATER SUPPLY WELLS TO SURFACE WATERS IN COASTAL WATERSHEDS OF LOS ANGELES AND VENTURA COUNTIES (CAG994005, ORDER NO. R4-2003-0108)

To streamline the potable water discharge permitting process and bring conformity statewide, on November 18, 2014, State Water Resources Control Board adopted Order WQ 2014-019-DWQ, General Order No. CAG140001, "*Statewide General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for Drinking Water Systems Discharges to Waters of the United States*" and it became effective on February 25, 2015. The Statewide General NPDES permit replaced the Permit issued by Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) for Potable Water System Discharges. All the potable water Dischargers in the state including those enrolled under Order R4-2003-0108, issued by Regional Water Board were required to obtain enrollment under the Statewide General Permit by September 15, 2016.

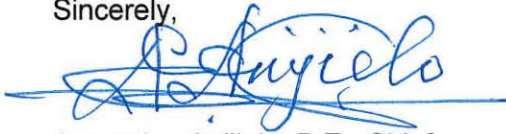
All Dischargers enrolled under Order No. R4-2003-0108 have re-enrolled under the Statewide Drinking Water General Permit and have terminated its enrollment or its enrollment have been revised and re-enrolled under other appropriate General NPDES permit. The NPDES permit (Order No. R4-2003-0108) regulating the potable water discharges is no longer needed. Therefore, The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region, tentatively proposes to terminate waste discharge requirements Order No. R4-2003-01018 because all coverages under this permit have ceased.

In accordance with administrative procedures, this Regional Water Board at a public hearing to be held on December 7, 2017, at 9:00 A.M., at Metropolitan Water District of Southern California Board Room, 700 North Alameda Street, Los Angeles, California, will consider the enclosed tentative Order, which will terminate the requirements in Order No. R4-2003-0108. The Board members will hear any testimony pertinent to this matter. It is expected that the Board will take action at the hearing; however, as testimony indicates, the Board, at its discretion, may order further investigation.

Written submissions pertaining to the tentative Order must be submitted to the Regional Water Board staff at losangeles@waterboards.ca.gov with a copy submitted to Namiraj Jain at Namiraj.Jain@waterboards.ca.gov no later than 5:00 p.m. on November 10, 2017, in order to be evaluated by Staff and included in the Board's agenda folder. Timely submittal of written comments is encouraged to ensure that Regional Water Board staff is able to provide timely review, and that Regional Water Board members have sufficient time to give full consideration to the comments and issues raised. The Regional Water Board chair may exclude from the record written materials received after this date. (See Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, § 648.4.)

If you have any questions, please contact Namiraj Jain at (213) 620-6003.

Sincerely,



Augustine Anijelo, P.E., Chief
General Permitting Unit

Enclosures

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Mailing List (Via Email Only)

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Mr. Jeff Phillips, Department of Interior, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Mr. Kurt Souza, State Water Resources Control Board, Drinking Water Division
Mr. William Paznokas, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Region 5
Ms. Teresa Henry, California Coastal Commission, South Coast Region
Mr. Tim Smith, Los Angeles County, Department of Public Works
Mr. Angelo Bellomo, Los Angeles County, Department of Public Health
Mr. James Enriquez, City of Pico Rivera, Department of Public Works
Mr. David Snyder, Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts
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State of California
CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD, LOS ANGELES REGION

ORDER NO. R4-2017-XXXX

**TERMINATING WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
AND
NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT
FOR
DISCHARGE GROUNDWATER FROM POTABLE WATER SUPPLY WELLS TO
SURFACE WATERS IN COASTAL WATERSHEDS OF LOS ANGELES AND
VENTURA COUNTIES**

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

1. On August 7, 2003, this Regional Water Board adopted waste discharge requirements which also served as the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for *Discharges of Groundwater from Potable Water Supply Wells to Surface Waters in Coastal Watersheds of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties*.
2. To streamline the potable water discharge permitting process and bring conformity statewide, on November 18, 2014, State Water Resources Control Board adopted Order WQ 2014-019-DWQ, General Order No. CAG140001, "*Statewide General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for Drinking Water Systems Discharges to Waters of the United States*" and it became effective on February 25, 2015. The Statewide General NPDES permit replaced the Permit issued by Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board for Potable Water System Discharges.
3. All the potable water Dischargers in the state including those enrolled under Order R4-2003-0108, issued by Regional Water Board were required to obtain enrollment under the Statewide General Permit by September 15, 2016.
4. All Dischargers enrolled under Order No. R4-2003-0108 have re-enrolled under the Statewide Drinking Water General Permit and have terminated its enrollment or its enrollment have been revised and re-enrolled under other appropriate General NPDES permit.
5. Therefore, the following waste discharge requirements and NPDES permit are no longer necessary and should be terminated.
6. The following Order is hereby terminated, except for enforcement purposes.

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 Watersheds of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties

7. The termination of waste discharge requirements is exempt from the provisions of Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 21100), Division 13, Public Resources Code, in accordance with Water Code Section 13389.

The Regional Water Board has notified the interested agencies, and persons of its intent to consider termination of the following waste discharge requirements and has provided them with an opportunity to submit their written views and recommendations.

The Regional Water Board, in a public hearing, heard and considered all comments and testimony pertinent to this matter.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the following waste discharge requirements and NPDES permit be terminated:

<u>General NPDES Permit (CAG994005)</u>	<u>ORDER NO. (Adoption Date)</u>	<u>Reason for Termination</u>
Discharge of Groundwater from Potable Water Supply Wells to Surface Waters in Coastal Watersheds of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties.	R4-2003-0108 (August 7, 2003)	On November 18, 2014, State Water Resources Control Board adopted Order WQ 2014-019-DWQ, General Order No. CAG140001, "Statewide General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for Drinking Water Systems Discharges to Waters of the United States" and became effective on February 25, 2015. This permit replaced the Permit issued by Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board for Potable Water System Discharges.

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The Executive Officer of the Regional Board, is authorized and directed to certify and submit copies of this Order to the Discharger, and to such individuals and governmental agencies as may have need therefore, or may request the same.

I, Samuel Unger, Executive Officer, do certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region on December 7, 2017.

Samuel Unger, P.E.
Executive Officer

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