

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
LOS ANGELES REGION**

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**Public Notice No. 22-008
NPDES No. CA0064203**

**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT AND
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF TIME SCHEDULE ORDER (TSO)
(National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit)**

<u>DISCHARGER</u>	<u>DISCHARGE LOCATION</u>	<u>RECEIVING WATER</u>
Los Angeles Turf Club Santa Anita Park	285 Huntington Drive Arcadia, CA 91006	Arcadia Wash

Los Angeles Turf Club (Discharger) is the owner and operator of Santa Anita Park (Facility), a horse stabling, training and racing facility in the city of Arcadia. The Facility is divided into Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation (CAFO) areas and non-CAFO areas. The CAFO areas include 44.3 acres of stables and horse-related maintenance areas. Non-CAFO areas include the racetrack, grandstands, decorative fountains, paddock gardens, and parking lots.

The Facility discharges up to 4.82 million gallons per day (MGD) of stormwater runoff and process wastewater from the CAFO areas to the Arcadia Wash through Discharge Point 14 (Latitude 34.139722° North, Longitude -118.048056° West), and Discharge Point 15 (Latitude 34.140000° North, Longitude -118.048056° West) under the regulation of a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit (NPDES permit). Discharges from the non-CAFO areas are subject to regulation through the Industrial General Permit (IGP) or the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit.

On the basis of preliminary staff review and application of lawful standards and regulations, the Los Angeles Water Board tentatively proposes to issue an NPDES permit, including effluent limitations, monitoring requirements and special conditions.

The Discharger also filed a request for a Time Schedule Order (TSO) for additional time to meet some of the NPDES permit requirements. Concurrent with the adoption of the NPDES permit the Los Angeles Water Board also tentatively proposes to adopt a TSO which provides interim limitations for certain pollutants and establishes a schedule of tasks that the Discharger would complete to come into compliance with the requirements of the NPDES permit.

HEARING DATE AND LOCATION

**Date: June 9, 2022
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Place: TBD.**

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Interested persons are invited to attend. At the public hearing, the Los Angeles Water Board will hear testimony, if any, that is pertinent to the discharge, WDRs, and NPDES permit. Oral testimony will be heard; however, for accuracy of the record, important testimony should be in writing.

Please be aware that dates and venues may change. Our Web address is <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles> where you can access the current agenda for changes in dates and locations.

AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS

The tentative NPDES permit, tentative TSO, comments submitted, and other information received regarding the discharge are available for inspection and copying between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the following address:

California Regional Water Quality Control Board
Los Angeles Region
320 West 4th Street, Suite 200
Los Angeles, CA 90013

Arrangements for file review and/or obtaining copies of the documents may be made by calling the Los Angeles Water Board at (213) 576-6600. The entire file will become a part of the administrative record of this proceeding, irrespective of whether individual documents are specifically referenced during the hearing. Should any interested persons desire staff to send any particular documents prior to the hearing, they must submit a written or electronic request to staff during business hours, not later than 5 business days before the hearing. The request must identify the documents with enough specificity for staff to locate them.

The tentative NPDES permit, tentative TSO, comments received and the response to comments when they are received and/or issued will also be available on the Los Angeles Water Board's website at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/board_decisions/tentative_orders/index.shtml

NATURE OF HEARING

This will be a formal adjudicative proceeding pursuant to section 648 et seq. of title 23 of the California Code of Regulations. Chapter 5 of the California Administrative Procedure Act (commencing with section 11500 of the Government Code) does not apply to this proceeding.

Ex Parte Communications Prohibited: As a quasi-adjudicative proceeding, no board member may discuss the subject of this hearing with any person, except during the public hearing itself. Any communications to the Los Angeles Water Board must be directed to staff.

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COMMUNICATIONS WITH STAFF BEFORE THE HEARING

The lead staff member responsible for this item is:

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PARTIES TO THE HEARING

The following are the parties to this proceeding:

1. Los Angeles Turf Club

Any other persons requesting party status must submit a written or electronic request to staff not later than 20 business days before the hearing. All parties will be notified if other persons are so designated.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND SUBMITTAL OF EVIDENCE

Persons wishing to comment upon the tentative permit or tentative TSO, or submit evidence for the Board to consider, are invited to submit them in writing. To be evaluated and responded to by staff, included in the Board's agenda folder, and fully considered by the Board, written comments and evidence must be submitted to the Board by mail to the address above or by email to losangeles@waterboards.ca.gov with a copy to thomas.siebels@waterboards.ca.gov, and received at the Board's office by 5:00 p.m. on **May 20, 2022**. Please reference the comments as "Comments on tentative NPDES permit and TSO, Los Angeles Turf Club, Santa Anita Park, CA0064203".

Pursuant to section 648.4, title 23 of the California Code of Regulations, written comments or evidence submitted after the comment deadline will not be allowed or accepted into the Administrative Record without a showing of good cause for the delay, and in no event if any party or the Board would be unduly prejudiced by the late submittal including if staff or the Board would not have an adequate opportunity to review, consider, and respond to the comments or evidence.

Additionally, if the Board receives only supportive comments, the permit may be placed on the Board's consent calendar and approved without oral testimony.

HEARING PROCEDURE

The meeting, in which the hearing will occur, will start at 9:00 a.m. Interested persons are invited to attend. Staff will present the matter under consideration, after which oral statements from parties or interested persons will be heard. For accuracy of the record, all important testimony should be in writing. The Board will include in the administrative record written transcriptions of oral testimony that is actually presented at the hearing.

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Oral testimony may be limited to 3 minutes maximum or less for each speaker, depending on the number of persons wishing to be heard. Parties or persons with similar concerns or opinions are encouraged to choose one representative to speak. At the conclusion of testimony, the Board will render a decision.

Parties or persons with special procedural requests should contact staff. Any procedure not specified in this hearing notice will be waived pursuant to section 648(d) of title 23 of the California Code of Regulations. Objections to any procedure to be used during this hearing must be submitted in writing not later than close of business 15 business days prior to the date of the hearing. Procedural objections will not be entertained at the hearing.

If there should not be a quorum on the scheduled date of this meeting, this matter will be automatically continued to the next scheduled meeting on July 14, 2022. A continuance will not extend any time set forth herein.

Date: April 20, 2022