

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board
June 18, 2020

Introducing New Groundwater Protection Specialist for the North Coast Region Jeremiah Puget

The Point Source Control and Groundwater Protection Division welcomes Chris Watt (Senior Engineering Geologist, Specialist) as our new Groundwater Protection Specialist for the North Coast Regional Water Board. Chris has over 25 years of public and private sector experience, including ten years as principal engineering geologist with LACO Associates in Mendocino County before joining the North Coast Water Board in 2019. Prior to this promotion, Chris lent his considerable talents and expertise to the North Coast Region's Planning and Stewardship Division and provided valuable assistance to the NPDES storm water and wastewater programs.



Chris Watt, Groundwater Protection Specialist. Photo by Erin Watt

As the Groundwater Protection Specialist, Chris will take a lead role in coordinating regional groundwater monitoring, assessment, policymaking, planning, and management initiatives. Other primary duties of the Groundwater Specialist include:

- Continuing to develop and implement standard protocols and technical procedures for groundwater basin assessments, providing technical support to Regional Water Board staff in the review of hydrogeological plans and reports, designs of subsurface wastewater disposal systems and waste containment units, and subsurface contaminant fate and transport studies.
- Reviewing Groundwater Sustainability Plans and sustainable management criteria for Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) compliance.
- Performing and directing environmental and geotechnical investigations and analyses and accompanying staff on key field site inspections and complex permitting actions.

The Groundwater Protection Specialist position was created as an outcome of the 2015 visioning process that identified groundwater protection as a priority area for North Coast Regional Water Board attention. As envisioned, Chris will serve as lead of the Groundwater Team and provide support for

the Water Board's efforts in groundwater resources preservation, protection, and remediation. The Specialist would also serve as the Division's primary point of contact for several key external partners including:

- State Water Board's Groundwater Ambient Monitoring and Assessment (GAMA) Unit, Division of Drinking Water (DDW), Office of Research Planning and Performance (ORPP) Groundwater Management Unit, and Division of Water Quality (DWQ)
- U.S. Geological Survey (USGS)
- California Department of Water Resources (DWR)
- Local Groundwater Sustainability Agencies within the region

The Specialist continues to play an integral role in the North Coast Regional Water Board's Groundwater Protection Strategy, implements the priority projects noted above and serves as a division resource for groundwater permitting staff and emerging issues. Noteworthy tasks in the coming year include:

- Finalizing the GAMA data assessment and North Coast Priority Basin list, pursuant to the Recycled Water Policy, by Regional Water Board Resolution or Executive Officer determination by April 8, 2021
- Develop the Region's Groundwater
 Protection Strategy, which includes a
 Draft Phase II Basin Plan Amendment
 (BPA) and/or Policy Statement for
 Regional Water Board consideration. As
 scoped the Phase II BPA would propose
 a programmatic approach to managing
 salts and nutrients in groundwater,
 update Table 2-1 to include beneficial
 uses for individual groundwater basins,
 where appropriate; provide
 considerations for groundwater recharge,
 and provide editorial corrections and

- clarifications to Chapter 4 of the Basin Plan
- Continuing oversight of the draft Motoring and Reporting Program for the Santa Rosa Plain Salt and Nutrient Management Plan (SNMP)
- Continuing data analysis and engagement with the Groundwater Permitting Unit on the development of General Waste Discharge Requirements for vineyards and lily bulb operations
- Continuing data analysis and engagement with the NPDES Unit on developing waste discharge requirements for municipal wastewater treatment facilities
- Continuing engagement with the Regional and State Board staff on implementing GeoTracker requirements for the Discharge to Land, Dairy, and Land Disposal Programs
- Continuing engagement with program staff on Constituents of Emerging Concern (CECs) and applicable water quality objectives for the protection of groundwater resources and beneficial uses.



Disadvantaged Community Outreach and Implementation of the Environmental Justice and Human Right to Water Initiatives in the North Coast Region Roy O'Connor

Background

California has developed some of the most advanced regulatory requirements to address environmental injustice and access to clean water. Pollution burdens are not equally distributed, and many disadvantaged

communities (DACs) face disproportionate challenges. The Environmental Justice (EJ) initiative recognizes that many communities in California, including communities of color and low-income communities, continue to bear disproportionate pollution burdens, while also facing serious socioeconomic and health-related vulnerabilities and challenges.

California was one of the first states in the nation to codify EJ in statute. State law defines environmental justice to mean "the fair treatment and meaningful involvement of people of all races, cultures, incomes and national origins with respect to the development, adoption, implementation and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies." The principles of EJ call for fairness, regardless of race, color, national origin or income, in the development of laws and regulations that affect every community's natural surroundings and the places people live, work, play, and learn.

In the North Coast Region, many small and disadvantaged communities rely on onsite wastewater treatment systems (i.e., septic systems) for wastewater treatment and disposal, which are prone to failure if not properly installed, operated and maintained. Additionally, some of these communities have worn-out, and undersized centralized wastewater collection, treatment and disposal facilities. These under-performing wastewater facilities can pose significant public health and water quality impacts and adversely affect beneficial uses of surface water and groundwater. Further, these dilapidated wastewater facilities can stymie community infrastructure improvements such as new schools, hospitals and public restrooms.

California became the first state in the nation to legislatively recognize the Human Right to Water (HR2W). This law establishes as state policy that "every human being has the right to safe, clean, affordable, and accessible water

adequate for human consumption, cooking, and sanitary purposes." In 2019, the North Coast Regional Water Board adopted Resolution R1-2019-0024, acknowledging the HR2W as a core value and directing staff, as resources allow, to engage with communities that lack adequate, affordable, or safe drinking water, including providing community outreach, technical assistance and financial resources.

An EJ and HR2W webpage was created highlighting the North Coast Region's commitments to EJ, the HR2W and providing assistance to DACs. The webpage includes many resources, including a region-wide analysis of DACs facing financial hardship, and links to a DAC mapping tool to help communities determine funding eligibility for local water and wastewater infrastructure improvement projects. Website: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast/w ater issues/programs/environmental justice/

Strong Partnerships - Planning and Building Infrastructure for Healthy Watersheds

Regional Water Board staff coordinate with the State Water Board Division of Financial Assistance (DFA), other funding agencies, and technical assistance providers to assist all communities, including small and disadvantaged communities, to plan, fund and complete water and wastewater infrastructure projects, wastewater recycling projects, storm water capture, and infiltration and reuse projects within the North Coast Region.

In 2019, the Regional Water Board signed on with the North Coast Resource Partnership (NCRP). The NCRP is a collaboration of local government, watershed groups, Tribes and other partners focused on a sustainable environmental and socio-economic framework in the North Coast. In 2019 the North Coast Regional Water Board became a signatory to NCRP's Memorandum of Mutual

Understandings (MMU), signed by over a hundred agencies, special districts, Tribal organizations, non-governmental organizations, watershed groups and other stakeholders, which signifies their support for and participation in the NCRP planning process.

In the 2019/2020 fiscal year, our staff has worked hands-on with dozens of communities within the North Coast Region to provide technical and administrative assistance in the preparation of grant and loan applications for needed infrastructure projects. Significant progress has been made with the planning, preliminary engineering design, and construction of water quality and public health improvement projects in every county, with specific highlights as noted in the counties below.

Del Norte County

The Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation has a planning grant leading to more grant funding for a construction project for consolidation of existing wastewater collection and treatment system infrastructure. The project includes extension of sewers to underserved tribal and non-tribal parcels in the Smith River Plain, and upgrades to an existing advanced wastewater treatment system for the Tribe.

The Klamath Community Services District (CSD) has a planning grant leading to more grant funding for a construction project for upgrades to wastewater collection and a treatment system. Preliminary plans include a new wastewater treatment facility and an expanded and updated disposal area.

Trinity County

The Lewiston Valley CSD received a \$15 million grant funded project for the consolidation and reconstruction of three wastewater collection, treatment and disposal systems in Lewiston. Construction of an advanced wastewater treatment system will

consolidate flow and provide advanced treatment and nitrogen removal from wastewater and produce a high-quality effluent. Construction of the collection, treatment and disposal system is currently under way, with significant progress being made in 2019 and continuing to date. Completion is anticipated in late 2020 or early 2021.

The Hayfork Trinity County Waterworks District #1 planning grant is leading to more grant funding for design and construction of a recycled water reclamation system. It includes production of Title 22 reclaimed/recycled water suitable for use for irrigation and other permitted uses in the surrounding Hayfork Valley area, and installation of Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system for the collection system pump stations, the wastewater treatment plant and the reclaimed water distribution system. Designs include groundwater monitoring to determine the potential impacts from the wastewater treatment ponds and disposal areas.

Siskiyou County

The City of Dorris received a planning grant leading to more grant funding for construction upgrades to existing waste stabilization ponds in Dorris. The project includes installation of the SCADA system for the collection system pump stations and the wastewater treatment plant, new headworks and solids management and groundwater monitoring to determine the potential impacts from the treatment and disposal ponds.

The City of Weed has a planning grant leading to more grant funding for a construction project for upgrades to the existing wastewater collection system and wastewater treatment ponds. Designs includes new headworks, wastewater pond upgrades, solids management, and a study to determine potential impacts to Boles Creek.

Humboldt County

The Samoa Peninsula CSD has a planning grant for a septic-to-sewer and wastewater consolidation project for the three DACs of Fairhaven, Samoa, and Finntown that are currently relying on septic systems. The existing systems discharge marginally treated domestic wastewater to groundwater through percolation ponds and leachfields. The project will evaluate the feasibility of a regional wastewater collection, treatment, and disposal system. Further work concerning consolidation is dependent on coordination with Humboldt County and the California Coastal Commission.

The Manila CSD has a planning grant leading to more funding for construction project upgrades to the existing wastewater collection and treatment system. Designs includes septic tank and pump upgrades, installation of SCADA for wastewater treatment and disposal, septage management, upgrades to the aerated lagoons, new backup generator and safety fencing.

Modoc County

The Newell County Water District has a planning grant leading to more grant funding for construction upgrades to the wastewater collection and treatment system. The preliminary engineering report includes pond system rehabilitation. Staff are awaiting final design and working towards funding commitments.

Mendocino County

The Anderson Valley CSD has a planning and construction grant for new wastewater collection/treatment/disposal and drinking water distribution. Staff are currently evaluating design options and working on the preliminary engineering reports for the wastewater and drinking water projects, as well as potential locations for wastewater disposal.

Sonoma County

The Lower Russian River Wastewater Citizens Advisory Group (CAG) was formed in 2018 to provide citizen input to government agencies that are working to improve wastewater management in unsewered areas of the lower Russian River. The State and Regional Water Boards, the County of Sonoma, the Russian River Ombudsperson, and the CAG continue collaborating on a pilot initiative to evaluate potential community solutions in Monte Rio and Villa Grande. In 2019, Regional Water Board staff worked with the CAG to develop a scope of work and complete a planning grant application seeking \$500,000 of Proposition 1 planning study funds from DFA. The Plan of Study will explore a variety of wastewater treatment alternatives for the two communities, including but not limited to, construction of an area wide collection system with discharge to a treatment plant, construction of a limited collection system for identified areas, upgrades to individual OWTS. construction of cluster systems for small neighborhoods, and evaluation of alternative forms of waste water treatment, including experimental toilet systems. DFA anticipates approving and executing the grant funding agreement in Fall 2020.

The Plan of Study will also assess governance issues (including evaluation of the potential for an onsite wastewater management district), consider funding sources for the various alternatives identified in the study, and seek community input to keep the citizenry aware of the progress of the study and to identify community support for the alternatives that are evaluated. Additional financial and technical support for this component of the Plan of Study is being provided by California State University Sacramento (CSUS) under a technical assistance grant obtained through the Clean Water Action State Revolving Fund. The CSUS contractor has engaged in biweekly meetings with staff from Sonoma County and the Regional Water Board to

gather input on the needs and objectives of the project and is currently developing a scope of work that will complement the objectives and timelines of the Monte Rio and Villa Grande wastewater management project.

The Plan of Study will culminate in a feasibility report, which will include a alternative(s) recommended by the Community Advisory Group and the Interagency Team, and a conceptual design (10%) of the recommendation, which will prepare the project for Phase 2: 60% design development, right-of-way evaluations, environmental compliance documentation, and preparation of the State Water Board construction loan application for Phase 3 funding. The estimated cost of Phase 1 and 2 is over \$3.3 million. The County intends to submit a second planning grant application to fund Phase 2 after completion of the initial feasibility study.

Regional Water Board staff continue to engage our Russian River partners and DFA to secure and implement grant funding and provide feedback as well as technical and compliance assistance on steps that will need to be taken to successfully transition to cleaner, more reliable and more accountable wastewater infrastructure.

Final Thoughts

The North Coast Region recognizes the need to provide technical and financial assistance to disadvantaged communities that face financial hardships. They often lack the financial resources, staffing and technical expertise to successfully develop approvable projects and complete loan and grant applications that address water supply and sanitation. Our staff work closely with North Coast communities, advocacy groups, regulated industries, and other government and tribal partners to advocate for funding needed for water quality improvement and infrastructure projects that achieve the North Coast Region's mission and vision.

We look forward to sharing our progress and success stories within these and other communities as we achieve key milestones. We also look forward to demonstrating our progress through improvements in public health and water quality in our most vulnerable disadvantaged communities. Given the natural disasters that have impacted the North Coast Region, the need for this support is more important than ever.



Trinity River Restoration Program 401 Water Quality Certification Renewals Jake Shannon

North Coast Water Board staff are currently in the process of renewing three 401 Water Quality Certifications (Certifications) for the Trinity River Restoration Program's (TRRP) ongoing river restoration activities. This includes a General Water Quality Certification for TRRP's Channel Rehabilitation Sites (R1-2020-0025) and two Individual Water Quality Certifications for Coarse Sediment and Fine Sediment Management, respectively. Originally issued in 2010 (and renewed in 2015), the 2020 Certifications will authorize the same proposed restoration activities for another five years.

TRRP is a multi-agency program whose goal is to restore the fisheries of the Trinity River impacted by dam construction and the associated water diversions. TRRP's focus is along a 40-mile long reach of the mainstem Trinity River between the Lewiston Dam and the North Fork Trinity River (approximately Lewiston, CA to just downstream of Junction City, CA).

TRRP's goal is to increase and improve the quality of habitat in the mainstem Trinity River and its side channels for all salmonid life-

stages. The restoration projects they implement include constructing in-channel and off-channel habitat features, restoring floodplain and in-channel alluvial features, coarse and fine sediment management, removing encroaching riparian vegetation, and restoring upland habitat.

An interactive story map presenting photos and information about the Trinity River and TRRP's ongoing, large-scale restoration efforts can be found here: https://blm-egis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/Cascade/index.html?appid=c80f5e10b7654237a65cee09c0a73 df9



Channel rehabilitation construction at TRRP's Bucktail site. Photo by TRRP

In January 2015, the North Coast Water Board adopted the Policy in Support of Restoration in the North Coast Region – Resolution No. R1-2015-0001. The Restoration Policy was subsequently approved by the State Water Resources Control Board and Office of Administrative Law, thereby incorporating it as an amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the North Coast Region.

The Restoration Policy is primarily a narrative expressing support for restoration and similar type projects. The Policy describes in detail: (1) the importance of restoration projects for the protection, enhancement and recovery of beneficial uses, (2) the obstacles that slow or preclude restoration actions, (3) the legal and procedural requirements for permitting restoration projects, (4) the ongoing Regional

Water Board effort to provide support towards the implementation of restoration projects, and (5) direction to staff to continue to support restoration in the future.

TRRP's restoration objectives align with the Restoration Policy and the North Coast Water Board's partnership with TRRP exemplifies our efforts to support the implementation of restoration projects to increase the pace and scale of beneficial restoration actions within the north coast region.



TRRP's Bucktail Project site before gravel augmentation. Photo by TRRP



TRRP's Bucktail Project site after gravel augmentation. Photo by TRRP

The North Coast Water Board has partnered with TRRP for over ten years and supports their restoration activities by acting as lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and through the development of programmatic permitting to regulate their ongoing beneficial projects in a practical manner.

On August 24, 2009, the North Coast Water Board issued a Final Master Environmental Impact Report (MEIR) which assessed the environmental impacts associated with TRRP's restoration activities. The restoration activities currently being proposed are identical to those proposed and authorized in 2010 and 2015, and as such, will have no additional significant effect on the environment beyond what was previously examined in the MEIR. Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, the North Coast Water Board is preparing three Initial Studies to review, analyze, and determine if the project is adequately described, analyzed, and mitigated for, and is within the scope of the MEIR findings.

North Coast Water Board staff anticipate issuing the General Water Quality Certification and two Individual Water Quality Certifications for TRRP's restoration activities in early June, authorizing another five years of beneficial river restoration.





Enforcement Report for June 2020 Executive Officer's Report

Diana Henrioulle and Jordan Filak

Date Issued	Discharger	Action Type	Violation Type	Status as of May 22, 2020
April 1, 2020	Duane and Karen Fredrickson	NOV	Clean Water Act sections 401 and 404	Ongoing

Comments: On April 1, 2020, the Southern Nonpoint Source and Forestry Unit senior issued a Notice of Violation (NOV) to Duane and Karen Fredrickson for failing to comply with sections 401 and 404 of the Clean Water Act. The landowners are conducting timber operations under an approved nonindustrial timber management plan (NTMP) in Kneeland, in the Mad River watershed. During a January 21, 2020 inspection, Regional Water Board staff observed a recently constructed stream crossing, not disclosed in the NTMP, posing a risk for ongoing erosion and sediment discharge into waters of the state. The NOV directs the Fredricksons to contact staff within 2 months to advise of their plan and schedule to either remove the culvert and address channel incision or to replace or improve the crossing using appropriate design methods. This matter is ongoing.

Date Issued	Discharger	Action Type	Violation Type	Status as of May 22, 2020
April 3, 2020	Matthew Jansen City Ventures Homebuilding Inc.	NOV	California Water Code Section 13267 directives A, D, and E	Ongoing

Comments: On April 3, 2020, the NPDES Unit senior issued an NOV to Matthew Jansen of City Ventures Homebuilding for violations of Directives of a 13267 Order issued November 8, 2019 for the Fox Hollow housing development in Santa Rosa. On November 25, 2019, the Regional Water Board amended the 13267 Order, extending the deadlines for submission of technical information as requested by the Discharger. Based on review of subsequent correspondence and reports from the Discharger, Regional Water Board staff discovered several deficiencies and inconsistencies, concluding that the Dischargers has failed to comply with Directives A, D, and E of the 13267 Order. This matter is ongoing.

Date Issued	Discharger	Action Type	Violation Type	Status as of May 22, 2020
April 6, 2020	John Farrow and Scott Enger	Notice of Non- Compliance	Water Code section 13399.30	Ongoing

Comments: On April 6, 2020, the Division Chief of the Point Source and Groundwater Protection Division issued a second Notice of Non-Compliance (NNC) to John Farrow and Scott Enger for their continued failure to obtain coverage under the NPDES general permit for storm water discharges associated with industrial activities (IGP). On July 25, 2019, Regional Water Board staff inspected the Farrow Ready Mix facility in Santa Rosa, and determined and notified staff representatives that coverage under the IGP is required. Staff subsequently corresponded with facility representatives several times by email regarding status of enrollment and continued

failure to enroll for IGP coverage. Staff issued a first NNC on January 28, 2020, requiring IGP enrollment by March 28, 2020. To date, the owner/operator has failed to enroll for IGP coverage. This matter is ongoing.

Date Issued	Discharger	Action Type	Violation Type	Status as of May 22, 2020
April 7, 2020	Geovany Silva; Freerange Holdings, LLC	NOV	 Basin Plan section 4.2.1 The California Water Code section 13264 Federal Clean Water Act sections 301 (a), 401, and 404. 	Ongoing

Comments: On April 7, 2020, the Enforcement Unit senior issued a NOV to Geovany Silva for violations associated with his property in the Mattole River Hydrologic Area near the town of Petrolia. During a June 26, 2019 multi-agency inspection, Regional Water Board staff observed features and conditions associated with site development and use for cannabis cultivation that were causing or had resulted in discharges and threatened discharges of waste to receiving waters. The NOV directs Mr. Silva to contact staff within 30 days to advise of his plan and schedule to address the violations. The NOV also directs Mr. Silva to file a Report of Waste Discharge or to enroll for coverage under the statewide Cannabis Order. This matter is ongoing.

Date Issued	Discharger	Action Type	Violation Type	Status as of May 22, 2020
April 13, 2020	California Property Solutions LLC	NOV	 State Board Order WQ 2019-0000-DWQ Regional Board Order 2015-0023 Basin Plan section 4.2.1 California Water Code sections 13260, 13264, and 13376 Clean Water Act section 301 	Ongoing

Comments: On April 13, 2020, the Enforcement Unit senior issued a NOV to California Property Solutions LLC for violations associated with cannabis cultivation and wetland disturbance on their property in the Benbow Hydrologic Subarea of the South Fork Eel River watershed. During an August 21, 2018 multi-agency inspection, Regional Water Board staff observed features and conditions associated with site development and use for cannabis cultivation that were causing or had resulted in discharges and threatened discharges of waste to receiving waters and/or violated provisions of the statewide cannabis order, under which the property is enrolled. Regional Board staff identified site disturbance within the riparian zone, requiring that the Property be enrolled as High Risk rather than the previously determined Low Risk. The NOV directs California Property Solutions LLC to contact staff within 30 days to advise of their plan and schedule to address the violations. This matter is ongoing.

Date Issued	Discharger	Action Type	Violation Type	Status as of May 22, 2020
April 23, 2020	Vonai Graham, Don's Auto Parts	NNC and NOV	Failure to Submit Annual Reports as Required by the IGP	Ongoing

Comments: On April 23, 2020, Assistant Executive Officer (AEO) Villacorta issued a NNC and NOV to Ms. Vonai Graham, owner/operator of Don's Auto Parts in Garberville, the South Fork Eel watershed. During a September 24, 2019 inspection of the facility, enrolled for coverage under the IGP, Regional Water Board staff observed several deficient Best Management Practices that posed a threat to water quality. In an October 16, 2019 email staff directed Ms. Graham to correct deficient BMPs, to submit missing annual reports, and to provide photos demonstrating/confirming actions taken to correct deficient BMPs by November 10, 2019. To date, the Regional Water Board have received no reply. The NNC/NOV directs Ms. Graham to submit past due annual reports; ensure minimum BMPs are installed and properly implemented; implement sampling and monitoring pursuant to the IGP; and to submit a Notice of Termination, within 60 calendar days (by June 22, 2020). This matter is ongoing.

Date Issued	Discharger	Action Type	Violation Type	Status as of May 22, 2020
April 28, 2020	Michael Silva	NOV	 Basin Plan section 4.2.1 The California Water Code section 13260, 13264, 13376 Federal Clean Water Act sections 301(a), and 404. 	Ongoing

Comments: On April 28, 2020, the senior of the Southern Cannabis Unit issued a NOV to Michael Silva for violations associated with his property on Spring Creek Road, in Cazadero, Sonoma County. During a September 4, 2019 multi-agency inspection, staff of CDFW, State Water Board Division of Water Rights (DIV), and Sonoma County reportedly observed features and conditions associated with site development and use for cannabis cultivation that were causing or had resulted in discharges and threatened discharges of waste to receiving waters. The NOV directs Mr. Silva to contact staff within 30 days to advise of his plan and schedule to address the violations observed and documented by DIV and CDFW staff. The NOV also directs Mr. Silva to file a Report of Waste Discharge or to enroll for coverage under the statewide Cannabis Order. This matter is ongoing.

Date Issued	Discharger	Action Type	Violation Type	Status as of May 22, 2020
May 7, 2020	Lost Coast Forestlands LLC Mara Polk	NOV	Basin Plan Prohibitions 1 and 2 of the Action Plan for Logging	Ongoing

Comments: On May 7, 2020, the Southern Timber unit senior issued an NOV to Lost Coast Forestlands LLC for violations of prohibitions 1 and 2 of the Basin Plan's Action Plan for logging, associated with a "low-water" bridge on the Discharger's Andersonia NTMP in the South Fork Eel River watershed. The NOV directs Lost Coast Forestlands LLC to submit to the Regional

Water Board an updated erosion control plan identifying and describing sites on the plan area that violate or have the potential to violate applicable water quality requirements or to adversely impact beneficial uses, and proposed corrective actions. This matter is ongoing.

Date Issued	Discharger	Action Type	Violation Type	Status as of May 22, 2020
May 7, 2020	Lost Coast Forestlands LLC Mara Polk	Water Code section 13267 Request for Information		Ongoing

Comments: On May 7, 2020, AEO Curtis issued a Request for Information, pursuant to Water Code section 13267, to Lost Coast Forestlands LLC regarding the low-water bridge on the Discharger's Andersonia NTMP, also subject to the NOV described above, issued the same day. The low-water bridge failed during the 2018-19 winter period and was reconstructed in October 2019 without Regional Water Board notification or approval. After a multi-agency inspection of the site on November 15, 2019, agency staff determined that the site required significant drainage and design modifications and lacked erosion and sediment control measures. The 13267 Order requires that by June 30, 2020, Lost Coast Forestlands LLC submit the engineering designs for the bridge currently present at the crossing; records of past permits obtained for bridge maintenance or replacement; details regarding bridge history; including past reconstruction activities and an alternatives analysis for keeping the crossing (in present or modified configuration), relocating the crossing, or removing the crossing altogether. This matter is ongoing.

Date Issued	Discharger	Action Type	Violation Type	Status as of May 22, 2020
May 11, 2020	Covelo Community Services District	Withdrawal of Expedited Payment Letter	N/A	Complete

Comments: On February 14, 2020, AEO Villacorta issued Order No. R1-2020-0011 to the Covelo Community Services District (CSD), providing an offer to participate in the expedited payment program, paying \$3,000.00 in Mandatory Minimum penalties (MMPs) for one serious violation of the effluent limits of the CSD's NPDES permit for its wastewater treatment facility. On February 19, 2020, Mr. Timothy Dennis of the CSD contacted staff to dispute the alleged violation, demonstrating that the alleged violation had been identified in error, due to failure by the laboratory to properly implement the analytical method. Upon review, staff concurred, and dismissed the violation. On May 11, 2020, AEO Villacorta issued a letter withdrawing Order No. R1-2020-0011. Accordingly, this matter is resolved.

Projected List of Future Regional Water Board Agenda Items

The following is a list of Regional Water Board agenda items that staff are planning for the upcoming Board meetings in 2020. **This list of agenda items is intended for general planning purposes and is subject to change.** Questions regarding the listed agenda items should be addressed to the identified staff person.

August 20 & 21, 2020 (Location TBD)

- Santa Rosa WWTF NPDES (Cathy Goodwin) [A]
- Town of Windsor WWTF NPDES (Justin McSmith) [A]
- Sonoma County LAMP (Charles Reed) [A]
- Short-term Renewal of the Federal Lands Waiver (Devon Jorgenson) [A]
- Update on statewide Cannabis Program (Grady/Kuszmar/Dougherty with Jon Bishop) [I]
- Fiscal Year 2020 -2021 Work Plans (Matt St. John) [I]

October 16 & 17, 2020 (Location TBD)

- Lewiston CSD WDRs (Roy O'Connor) [A]
- Several pending enforcement actions [A]
- Enforcement Priorities (Diana Henrioulle) [I]
- Klamath Dam Removal & Restoration Activities (Clayton Creager) [I]

