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North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

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Dear Ms. Jennifer Burke:

Subject: City of Santa Rosa's Recycled Water Distribution and Use Program - Notice of Applicability of Coverage under State Water Resources Control Board Order No. WQ 2016-0068-DDW Water Reclamation Requirements for Recycled Water Use

File: City of Santa Rosa, Recycled Water Program
WDID No. 1B20110RSON, Place ID CW-758270

This letter serves as a Notice of Applicability (NOA) from the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) that the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) Water Quality Order No. WQ 2016-0068-DDW, Water Reclamation Requirements for Recycled Water Use (General Order) is applicable to the subject Recycled Water Program. As specified in the General Order, coverage is only provided for the distribution and use of recycled water.

On March 27, 2020, the City of Santa Rosa (City) submitted a final Recycled Water Program Technical Report and Notice of Intent (hereafter referred to as the NOI) to obtain regulatory coverage for the City's Recycled Water Program under the General Order. The City submitted the required filing fee of \$2,625 on July 2, 2020 and will be assessed an annual fee thereafter.

The City's NOI requests coverage under the General Order for the following recycled water uses:

- Regional Agricultural Distribution System: Transmission and distribution of recycled water to agricultural users within the North County Agricultural Area of the Santa Rosa Plain, and east of the City of Rohnert Park. Users are located

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- directly along the distribution system and include privately managed farms and vineyards, as well as City-owned farms that are located within City limits.
- Santa Rosa Urban Distribution System: Transmission and distribution of recycled water to the Santa Rosa Urban Users, located within City limits (defined as including the Santa Rosa Urban Growth Boundary). Uses within the system include landscape irrigation, landscape impoundments, and other non-potable water use such as construction dust control.
 - Geysers Transmission System: Transmission of recycled water to the Geysers Recharge Project for recharge of steam fields to enhance steam production. Injection of recycled water into the geothermal reservoir at Calpine Corporation's Geysers Recharge Project is separately covered under Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R1-2009-0103.

The City submitted a Title 22 Recycled Water Engineering Report dated December 2019 to the Regional Water Board and the State Water Board's Division of Drinking Water (DDW) staff on December 9, 2019. DDW staff provided comments and conditional acceptance of the City's Title 22 Recycled Water Engineering Report to the City in a letter dated February 12, 2020 (Attachment A). The City is required to comply with the recycled water use conditions specified in the February 12, 2020 DDW acceptance letter. Consistent with the authority and scope of the General Order, DDW conditions related to the distribution and use of recycled water are included in Monitoring and Reporting Program (MRP) No. R1-2020-0029 that is part of this enrollment under the Recycled Water General Order (Attachment B).

Recycled water production remains under the authority of the Santa Rosa Regional Water Reuse System, Laguna Treatment Plant's NPDES permit, Order No. R1-2020-0012. DDW conditions related to the production of recycled water have been included in the MRP of the NPDES Permit (Attachment E to the NPDES permit). The MRP for the City's Recycled Water Distribution and Use Program is included as Attachment B of this NOA. The City's Recycled Water Program shall be operated in accordance with the latest version of its Recycled Water User's Guide (March 2020 version that contains the Application for Retrofit to Recycled Water Service and for Recycled Water Use Permit, or subsequent approved revisions).

Based on information provided in the NOI and the Title 22 Recycled Water Engineering Report, Regional Water Board staff determined that the City's use of recycled water authorized in this NOA is consistent with the general and specific conditions of the General Order. Therefore, this NOA serves as formal notice that Order WQ 2016-0068-DDW is applicable to the City and uses described in the NOI. The City will act as the Administrator of its Recycled Water Program. As the Administrator, the City will be responsible for the administration of the Recycled Water Program authorized pursuant to this enrollment under the General Order, including the requirements of Title 22. The City is also the Recycled Water Producer and Distributor and is responsible for all permit requirements related to the production of recycled water pursuant to Order No. R1-2020-0012.

A copy of the General Order is included as Attachment C to this NOA. The General Order is also available on the Regional Water Board [website](#).

If you have any questions regarding this NOA or your enrollment under the General Order, please contact Matthew Herman of my staff at (707) 576-2683 or matthew.herman@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Matthias St. John
Executive Officer

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Attachments:

Attachment A: DDW Conditional Acceptance Letter, Dated February 12, 2020

Attachment B: Monitoring and Reporting Program, Order No. R1-2020-0029

Attachment C: Statewide General Water Reclamation Requirements for Recycled Water Use, Order WQ 2016-0068-DDW

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ATTACHMENT A

**DDW CONDITIONAL ACCEPTANCE LETTER
DATED FEBRUARY 12, 2020**

ATTACHMENT B
MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM
ORDER NO. R1-2020-0029

ATTACHMENT C

STATEWIDE GENERAL WATER RECLAMATION REQUIRMENTS FOR RECYCLED WATER USE, ORDER WQ 2016-0068-DDW

Here is a link to Attachment C on the State Waterboard Website:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_decisions/adopted_orders/water_quality/2016/wq2016_0068_ddw.pdf