

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA
REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL COAST REGION**

STAFF REPORT FOR REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 30-31, 2014
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SUBJECT: Enforcement Report

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DISCUSSION

Violations Listing

Staff uses the California Integrated Water Quality System (CIWQS) to track Water Board data, including violations and enforcement actions. Attachment 1 is a CIWQS list of violations by dischargers between September 1, 2013, and October 31, 2013. CIWQS has a sewer system overflow (SSO) module that provides tracking and reporting of such spills.

Significant or Notable Violations

There are no class 1 violations in this report's listing.

Summary of Enforcement Activities

The following information summarizes significant enforcement actions taken by the Water Board during the period between October 1, 2013 and November 30, 2013.

Notices of Violation

- Greka Oil & Gas, Inc., Blochman Waste Pile Management Facility, Blochman 29 Waste Pile, and Bell Pond Waste Pile, Santa Barbara County, October 11, 2013
- Boulder Creek CSA #7, Boulder Creek Golf and Country Club WWTP, Santa Cruz County, November 15, 2013
- Classic Salads, LLC, Monterey County, November 26, 2013

Administrative Civil Liability Complaint

The Inn at Pasatiempo (Pasatiempo Investments, Pasatiempo II Investments, Richard S. Gregersen, Adventco Holding Company), Santa Cruz County, November 6, 2013. The complaint, for the amount of \$24,700, alleges failure to submit wastewater monitoring report by the Inn's owners. A hearing is scheduled for March 7, 2014.

Cleanup and Abatement Order

Rescission of Cleanup and Abatement Order No. R3-2007-0091, Ventana Inn & Spa (WTCC Ventana Investors V, LLC), Big Sur, Monterey County, November 20, 2013

Earlier this year Ventana Inn completed the construction of and began using a facility-wide collection system tributary to a centralized wastewater treatment plant and multiple subsurface disposal systems designed to handle 100% of the facility wastewater flow. The new system is fully automated and has the ability to produce tertiary quality effluent. The required upgrades

cost about \$4.5 million to complete and eliminated a failing patchwork of interconnected septic tanks and leachfields. Significant delays were encountered during project implementation, due at least in part to other competing compliance-driven projects at the facility, firing of the first two project consultants, the Basin/Indians forest fire, a kitchen/restaurant fire, and foreclosure/receivership proceedings. Water Board staff coordinated with the Monterey County Environmental Health Bureau on seeing this enforcement action to its completion.

Stipulated Judgment

Gonzales Winery, Gonzales, Monterey County. In March 2012, a broken pipe caused several hundred gallons of winery waste to spill into a storm drain and Gonzales Slough. The Monterey County District Attorney, on behalf of the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Central Coast Water Board, filed a complaint with the Monterey County Superior Court seeking an injunction and penalties. The winery's owner agreed to settle the complaint for a total of \$25,000, \$3,500 of which it paid the State Board's Cleanup and Abatement Account. The Executive Officer signed the stipulated judgment on October 11, 2013.

Expedited Payment Letters for Mandatory Minimum Penalties

- City of Paso Robles Wastewater Treatment Facility, San Luis Obispo County, November 13, 2013, \$321,000.
- California Men's Colony WWTP, San Luis Obispo County, November 26, 2013, \$162,000.

RECOMMENDATION

This report is for Board information; the Board may provide direction to staff.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Violation List
2. List of Abbreviations