

## **California Regional Water Quality Control Board**

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Mr. Bert Rapp, Director of Public Works City of Fillmore 250 Central Avenue Fillmore, CA 93015-1907 CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED CLAIM NO. <u>7001 1140 0000 1129 6302</u>

## COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS—CITY OF FILLMORE, SESPE CREEK LEVEE 2 CONSTRUCTION PROJECT, SESPE CREEK NEAR HIGHWAY 126 BRIDGE, FILLMORE, CALIFORNIA (NPDES NO. CAG994004, CI-9327)

Dear Mr. Rapp:

We have completed our review of your application for a permit to discharge waste under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES). You propose to discharge up to 2.5 million gallons per day (MGD) of groundwater from the aforementioned construction project. The short-term construction dewatering will be completed within six months. The high rate of discharge is necessary because the construction project is being conducted on the bank of the Sespe Creek. Should the construction project last past six months, then the discharge rate will be limited to no greater than 1.0 mgd.

Based on the information provided, the proposed discharge of groundwater meets the conditions to be regulated under General Permit No. CAG994004, Order No. R4-2003-0111; *General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit and Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Groundwater From Construction and Project Dewatering to Surface Waters in Coastal Watersheds of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties, adopted by this Board on August 7, 2003.* 

Enclosed are your Waste Discharge Requirements, which also serve as your General NPDES Permit, consisting of Order No. R4-2003-0111 and Monitoring and Reporting Program No. Cl-9327. The discharge limitations in Part E.1.a. of Order No. R4-2003-0111 for the specific constituents listed on the Table with the enclosed Fact Sheet are applicable to your discharge. The groundwater discharge flows to the Santa Clara River between A Street, Fillmore and Freeman Diversion "Dam" near Saticoy. Your discharge has been determined to satisfy the provisions for creekside dewatering, therefore, the discharge limitations listed in Attachment B.3.f. are not applicable to your discharge except for boron and nitrogen. Prior to starting discharge, a representative sample of the effluent must be obtained and analyzed to determine compliance with the discharge limitations.

The Monitoring and Reporting Program requires you to implement the monitoring program on the effective date of coverage under this permit. All monitoring reports should be sent to the Regional Board, <u>ATTN: Information Technology Unit</u>. When submitting monitoring or technical reports to the Regional Board per these requirements, please include a reference to "Compliance File No."

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CI-9327 and NPDES No. CAG994004", which will assure that the reports are directed to the appropriate file and staff. Also, please do not combine other reports with your monitoring reports. Submit each type of report as a separate document.

In order to avoid future annual fees, please submit written notification when the project has been completed and the permit is no longer needed.

We are sending Board Order No. R4-2003-0111 only to the applicant. For those on the mailing list, please refer to the Board Order sent to you previously or download a copy of the Order from our website at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/html/permits/general\_permits.html.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. James Tang at (213) 576-6696.

Sincerely,

Deborah J. Smith Interim Executive Officer

Enclosures

Fact Sheet Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-9327 Order No. R4-2003-0111, General NPDES Permit No. CAG994004

 cc: Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, Clean Water Act Standards and Permits Office (WTR-5)
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service
Department of Interior, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Philip Isorena, State Water Resources Control Board, NPDES Unit
Department of Fish and Game, Region 5
Ventura County Department of Public Works, Flood Control and Drainage
Ventura County Environmental Health
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