## CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

## MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM NO. 2014-0153-DWQ-R5367 FOR

# SACRAMENTO MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT RANCHO SECO RECREATIONAL AREA WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY SACRAMENTO COUNTY

This Monitoring and Reporting Program (MRP) describes requirements for monitoring the Rancho Seco Recreational Area Wastewater Treatment Facility. This MRP is issued pursuant to Water Code section 13267, Sacramento Municipal Utility District (Discharger) shall not implement any changes to this MRP unless and until a revised MRP is issued by the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (Central Valley Water Board) Executive Officer.

Water Code section 13267 states, in part:

"In conducting an investigation specified in subdivision (a), the regional board may require that any person who has discharged, discharges, or is suspected of having discharged or discharging, or who proposes to discharge waste within its region, or any citizen or domiciliary, or political agency or entity of this state who has discharged, discharges, or is suspected of having discharged or discharging, or who proposes to discharge, waste outside of its region that could affect the quality of waters within its region shall furnish, under penalty of perjury, technical or monitoring program reports which the regional board requires. The burden, including costs, of these reports shall bear a reasonable relationship to the need for the report and the benefits to be obtained from the reports. In requiring those reports, the regional board shall provide the person with a written explanation with regard to the need for the reports, and shall identify the evidence that supports requiring that person to provide the reports."

Water Code section 13268 states, in part:

- "(a) Any person failing or refusing to furnish technical or monitoring program reports as required by subdivision (b) of section 13267, or failing or refusing to furnish a statement of compliance as required by subdivision (b) of section 13399.2, or falsifying any information provided therein, is guilty of a misdemeanor and may be liable civilly in accordance with subdivision (b).
- (b)(1) Civil liability may be administratively imposed by a regional board in accordance with article 2.5 (commencing with section 13323) of chapter 5 for a violation of subdivision (a) in an amount which shall not exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for each day in which the violation occurs."

The Sacramento Municipal Utility District owns and operates the Rancho Seco Recreational Area Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF) that is subject to the Notice of Applicability (NOA) of Water Quality Order 2014-0153-DWQ-R5367, General Waste Discharge Requirements for Small Domestic Wastewater Treatment Systems (General Order). The reports are necessary to ensure that the Discharger complies with the NOA and General Order. Pursuant to Water Code section 13267, the Discharger shall implement this MRP and shall submit the monitoring reports described herein.

All samples shall be representative of the volume and nature of the discharge or matrix of material sampled. The name of the sampler, sample type (grab or composite), time, data, location, bottle type, and any preservative used for each sample shall be recorded on the sample chain of custody form. The chain of custody form must also contain all custody information including data, time, and to whom samples were relinquished. If composite samples are collected, the basis for sampling (time or flow weighted) shall be approved by Central Valley Water Board staff.

Field test instruments (such as those used to measure pH, dissolved oxygen, electrical conductivity, wind speed, and precipitation) may be used provided that they are used by a State Water Board California Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program (ELAP) certified laboratory, or:

- 1. The operator is trained in proper use and maintenance of the instruments;
- 2. The instruments are field calibrated at the frequency recommended by the manufacturer;
- 3. The instruments are serviced and/or calibrated at the manufacturer's recommended frequency; and
- 4. Field calibration reports are maintained and available for at least three years.

Laboratory analytical procedures shall comply with the methods and holding times specified in the following (as applicable to the medium to be analyzed):

- 1. Methods for Organic Chemical Analysis of Municipal and Industrial Wastewater (EPA);
- Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste (EPA);
- 3. Methods for Chemical Analysis of Water and Wastes (EPA);
- Methods for Determination of Inorganic Substances in Environmental Samples (EPA); Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater (APHA/AWWA/WEF); and
- 5. Soil, Plant, and Water Reference Methods for the Western Region (WREP 125).

Approved editions shall be those that are approved for use by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency or the State Water Resources Control Board's Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program (ELAP). The Discharger may propose alternative methods for approval by the Executive Officer. Where technically feasible, laboratory

reporting limits shall be lower than concentrations that implement applicable water quality objectives/limits for the constituents to be analyzed.

If monitoring consistently shows no significant variation in a constituent concentration or parameter after at least 12 months of monitoring, the Discharger may request this MRP be revised to reduce monitoring frequency. The proposal must include adequate technical justification for reduction in monitoring frequency. This monitoring program shall remain in effect unless and until a revised MRP is issued.

#### POND SYSTEM MONITORING

#### **Influent Flow Monitoring**

Flow monitoring shall be from a location that is representative of wastewater flows into the ponds as specified below.

Constituent/	Units	Sample	Sampling	Reporting
Parameter		Type	Frequency	Frequency
Influent Flow	Gallons	Meter	Daily (total daily flow)	Quarterly

**Table 1 - Influent Flow Monitoring** 

### Wastewater Pond Monitoring

All ponds used for treatment, storage, or disposal of wastewater shall be monitored as specified below. Sampling and monitoring shall be conducted from permanent locations that will be representative of wastewater discharged to the ponds and provide reasonable observations of the ponds. Freeboard shall be measured vertically from the water surface to the lowest elevation of pond berms (or spillway/overflow pipe invert) and shall be measured to the nearest 0.10 feet. Samples shall be collected at a depth of one foot, opposite the inlet. If any pond is dry, the monitoring report shall so state.

Constituent/ Sample **Monitoring** Reporting **Units** Parameter Type Frequency Frequency Presence/Absence of Observation Weekly Quarterly Water Freeboard 0.1 feet Measurement Weekly Quarterly Weekly Odors Observation Quarterly Berm Condition Observation Weekly Quarterly Dissolved Oxygen mg/L Weekly Quarterly Grab Monthly Quarterly Hq Std. units Grab Monthly Quarterly BOD<sub>5</sub> umhos/cm Grab

Table 2 – Wastewater Pond Monitoring

Constituent/ Parameter	Units	Sample Type	Monitoring Frequency	Reporting Frequency
Electrical Conductivity	mg/L	Grab	Monthly	Quarterly
Nitrate as Nitrogen	mg/L	Grab	Monthly	Quarterly

#### RECREATIONAL VEHICLE DISCHARGE MONITORING

Samples shall be collected to characterize wastewater that is discharged to the wastewater ponds. Wastewater shall be monitored during the first and third quarters of the monitoring year as specified below.

Constituent/ Units Sample Type Monitoring Reporting Parameter Frequency Frequency Zinc mg/L Grab Semi-Annual Semi-Annual Semi-Annual Semi-Annual Phenol mg/L Grab Formaldehyde Semi-Annual Semi-Annual mg/L Grab

**Table 3 - RV Discharge Monitoring** 

#### **SLUDGE/SOLIDS MONITORING**

The Discharger shall report the handling and disposal of all solids (e.g., screenings, grit, sludge, biosolids, etc.) generated at the wastewater system. Records shall include the name/contact information for the hauling company, the type and amount of waste transported, the date removed from the wastewater system, the disposal facility name and address, and copies of analytical data required by the entity accepting the waste. These records shall be submitted as part of the annual monitoring report.

#### REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

All regulatory documents, submissions, materials, data, monitoring reports, and correspondence should be converted to a searchable Portable Document Format (PDF) and submitted electronically. Documents that are less than 50MB should be emailed to: <a href="mailto:centralvalleysacramento@waterboards.ca.gov">centralvalleysacramento@waterboards.ca.gov</a>.

Documents that are 50 MB or larger should be transferred to a CD, DVD, or flash drive and mailed to the following address:

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board ECM Mailroom 11020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200 Rancho Cordova, California 95670

To ensure that your submittals are routed to the appropriate staff, the following information block should be included in any correspondence used to transmit documents to this office:

Facility: Rancho Seco Recreational Area WWTF

Program: Non-15 Compliance

Order Number: WQ 2014-0153-DWQ-R5367

CIWQS Place ID: 739749

In reporting monitoring data, the Discharger shall arrange the data in tabular form so that the date, sample type (e.g., effluent, pond, etc.), and reported analytical result for each sample are readily discernible. The data shall be summarized in such a manner to clearly illustrate compliance with waste discharge requirements and spatial or temporal trends, as applicable. The results of any monitoring done more frequently than required at the locations specified in the MRP shall be reported in the next regularly schedule monitoring report and shall be included in calculations as appropriate.

Monitoring information shall include the method detection limit (MDL) and the Reporting limit (RL) or practical quantitation limit (PQL). If the regulatory limit for a given constituent is less than the RL (or PQL), then any analytical results for that constituent that are below the RL (or PQL) but above the MDL shall be reported and flagged as estimated. For a Discharger conducting any of its own analyses, reports must also be signed and certified by the chief of the laboratory.

As required by the Business and Professions Code sections 6735, 7835, and 7835.1, all monitoring reports that involve planning, investigation, evaluation or design, or other work requiring interpretation and proper application of engineering or geologic sciences, shall be prepared under the direct supervision of a Registered Professional Engineer or Professional Geologist and signed by the registered professional.

#### A. Monitoring Report Due Dates

Quarterly and annual monitoring reports are due as described in the table below.

**Monitoring Report Monitoring Period** Report Due **Date** First Quarter 1 January to 31 March 1 May 1 April to 30 June Second Quarter 1 August 1 July to 30 September Third Quarter 1 November 1 February 1 October to 31 December Fourth Quarter **Annual Report** 1 January to 31 December 1 February State Water Board 1 January to 31 December 30 April Volumetric Annual Reporting (if applicable)

Table 4 - Monitoring Report Schedule

#### B. Quarterly Monitoring Reports

Daily, weekly, and monthly monitoring data shall be reported in the quarterly monitoring report. At a minimum, the quarterly report shall include:

- 1. Results of Influent Monitoring in tabular format during the reported quarter for the following:
  - a. Calculation of the total flow and average daily flow for each month, and total annual flow to date.
- 2. Results of Pond Monitoring in tabular format for each week of the month during the reported quarter.
- 3. A comparison of monitoring data to the flow limitations and discharge specifications and an explanation of any violation of those requirements.
- 4. Copies of the laboratory analytical data reports shall be maintained by the Discharger and submitted to the Central Valley Water Board.

#### C. Annual Report

In addition to the fourth quarter monitoring report, an Annual Report shall be prepared. The Annual Report shall include the following:

- 1. Tabular and graphical summaries of all monitoring data collected during the year.
- An evaluation of the performance of the wastewater treatment facility, including discussion of capacity issues, nuisance conditions, system problems, and a forecast of the flows anticipated in the next year. A flow rate evaluation as described in the General Order (Provision E.2.c) shall also be submitted.
- 3. A discussion of compliance and the corrective action taken, as well as any planned or proposed actions needed to bring the discharge into full compliance with the NOA and/or General Order.
- 4. A discussion of any data gaps and potential deficiencies/redundancies in the monitoring system or reporting program.
- 5. The name and contact information for the wastewater operator responsible for operation, maintenance, and system monitoring.

#### D. State Water Board Volumetric Annual Reporting

To establish a realistic estimate of statewide recycled water use and potential for increased recycled water use statewide, the Recycled Water Policy requires dischargers to report the volume of treated wastewater and recycled water. The annual report will meet implementation needs of the Recycled Water Policy and fill data gaps for additional statewide water planning efforts. Based on current influent flows, the Discharger is not required to submit volumetric annual reporting at this time.

A letter transmitting the self-monitoring reports shall accompany each report. The letter shall report violations found during the reporting period, and actions taken or planned for correcting noted violations and prevent future violations. If the Discharger has previously submitted a report describing corrective actions and/or a time schedule for implementing the corrective actions, reference to the previous correspondence will be satisfactory. The transmittal letter shall contain the penalty of perjury statement and signed by the Discharger or the Discharger's authorized agent.

"I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted in this document and all attachments and that, based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the information is true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment."

The Discharger shall implement the above monitoring program on the first day of the month following issuance of the Notice of Applicability of Water Quality Order 2014-0153-DWQ-R5367.

This Order is issued under authority delegated to the Executive Officer by the Central Valley Water Board pursuant to Resolution R5-2018-0057 and is effective upon signature.

> Ordered by: Original Digitally Signed by John J. Baum

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