

# California Regional Water Quality Control Board Central Valley Region

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NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY (NOA); LIMITED THREAT GENERAL WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS ORDER NO. R5-2008-0082 (GENERAL ORDER); CITY OF WEST SACRAMENTO, YOLO COUNTY

Our office received a Notice of Intent (NOI) on 4 September 2008 from the City of West Sacramento (Discharger) for various dewatering and other limited threat discharges to surface water. Based on the information in the NOI, we have determined that the proposed discharges meet the required conditions for approval under the General Order for Limited Threat Discharges (General Order No. R5-2008-0082). This project is hereby assigned General Order No. R5-2008-0082-007 and National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit No. CAG995002.

The General Order (enclosed) may also be viewed at the following web address: <a href="http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\_decisions/adopted\_orders/general\_or\_ders/r5-2008-0082.pdf">http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\_decisions/adopted\_orders/general\_or\_ders/r5-2008-0082.pdf</a>. You are urged to familiarize yourself with the contents of the entire document. The Order prescribes mandatory discharge monitoring requirements. The project activities shall be operated in accordance with the requirements contained in the General Order and with the information submitted in the NOI.

## CALIFORNIA TOXIC RULE / STATE IMPLEMENTATION POLICY MONITORING

This General Order incorporates the requirements of the California Toxic Rule (CTR) and the State Water Resources Control Board's (State Water Board), *Policy for Implementation of Toxic Standards for Inland Surface Waters, Enclosed Bays, and Estuaries of California*, 2005, also known as the State Implementation Policy (SIP). Screening levels for CTR constituents are found in Attachment B of the General Order.

Review of your water quality data in reference to the CTR screening values showed no reasonable potential to impact the receiving waters. Therefore, no additional effluent limitations or additional monitoring requirements will be required for this project.

California Environmental Protection Agency



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## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The proposed project involves dewatering and other limited threat discharges of less than 0.25 million gallon per day from construction and maintenance of municipal water supply facilities. Construction and maintenance activities include:

- a. Construction dewatering;
- b. Water storage tank pressure testing;
- c. Pump/Pipeline testing;
- d. Fire Hydrant/Pipeline flushing.

The source water for the subject discharges is from the Bryte Bend filtration plant, which receives water directly from the Sacramento River. The receiving waters for the discharges are the Sacramento River and the Port of Sacramento Deep Water Ship Channel, both of which ultimately flow to the Sacramento Delta. Proposed discharges to these waters will be via the City's storm drainage collection system.

## REPORTING

Quarterly reports shall be submitted to the Regional Water Board office (Attention: NPDES Program) by the first day of the second month following each calendar quarter. Reporting requirements are found in Attachment E of the General Order.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION AND REQUIREMENTS**

The Discharger will be required to follow their Pollution Prevention and Monitoring and Reporting Plan. Effluent and receiving water monitoring of the subject discharge shall be conducted and submitted quarterly to the Regional Water Board. All superchlorinated discharge(s) covered by this General Order shall be dechlorinated prior to surface water discharge. The Regional Water Board shall be notified immediately if any violation, nuisance, or detriment to the receiving water is observed during implementation of the project.

Failure to comply with the Effluent Limitations and Receiving Water Monitoring requirements in the General Order could result in an enforcement action as authorized by provisions of the California Water Code. Discharge of material other than what is described in the application is prohibited.

The required annual fee (as specified in the annual billing you will receive from the State Water Resources Control Board) shall be submitted until this Notice of Applicability is officially terminated. You must notify this office in writing when the discharge regulated by this General Order is no longer necessary, so we may terminate applicability of this General Order and avoid additional unnecessary billing.

Violations of the effluent limitations contained in this Order may be subject to a \$3,000 Mandatory Minimum Penalty (MMP) per violation for serious or chronic violations if certain conditions are met [Water Code Section 13385(h) and (i)]. In addition, an effluent

monitoring report received more than 30 days after its due date is subject to a \$3,000 MMP. An additional \$3,000 MMP is mandated for each additional 30 days a report is late. If you have no discharge, you must still submit a report indicating that no discharge occurred, or you may be subject to the MMP.

If you have any question or comments regarding your General Order coverage, please contact David Kirn of our office at (916) 464-4761 or at dwkirn@waterboards.ca.gov.

PAMELA C. CREEDON Executive Officer

Enclosure: General Order No. R5-2008-0082 (Discharger only)

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