

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

ORDER R5-2016-0101

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (Central Valley Water Board), finds that the Central Valley Water Board adopted the following Orders which are no longer applicable for the reasons shown:

- a. Waste Discharge Requirements Order R5-2007-0088, adopted on 22 June 2007, prescribes requirements for the discharge from the Compost Solutions, Inc., Compost Facility, Glenn County (Facility). The Facility is now regulated under Water Quality Order 2015-0121-DWQ (General Order) for discharges to land from composting operations. Therefore, it is appropriate to rescind Waste Discharge Requirements Order R5-2007-0088.
- b. Waste Discharge Requirements Order 93-002, adopted on 29 January 1993, prescribes requirements for the discharge from Creekside Subdivision, Plumas County (Facility). The Facility is comprised of a wastewater collection system with individual septic tanks with pump chambers and submersible pumps discharging to a common leachfield. The Facility is now regulated under Water Quality Order 2014-0153-DWQ (General Order) for discharges to land from small domestic systems with a maximum average daily flow of 100,000 gallons or less. Therefore, it is appropriate to rescind Waste Discharge Requirements Order 93-002.
- c. Waste Discharge Requirements Order 76-81, adopted 26 March 1976, prescribes waste discharge requirements for the discharge of mining waste to evaporation-percolation ponds at the Oriental Mine in Sierra County. Dickey Exploration Company (Discharger) operated the Oriental Mine intermittently until 1983; however, no discharge of mining waste has taken place since September 1983 when mining and processing activities ceased. After an August 2011 inspection, Water Board staff determined that the water quality aspects of reclamation were complete, the waste no longer posed a threat to water quality, and post-closure monitoring was no longer necessary. However, the Discharger stated that he may elect to sell the mine in the near future, and requested that the Order remain active. In November 2015, the Discharger passed away. No activities have occurred since September 1983, the site has been stabilized, revegetated, and no longer poses a threat to water quality. Therefore, it is appropriate to rescind Order 76-81
- d. Waste Discharge Requirements Order 91-005, adopted on 25 January 1991, prescribes requirements for the discharge from the KY Packing, LLC Packinghouse to land. The Discharge was issued a Notice of Applicability for coverage under Order R5-2015-0005-0075 *Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Small food processors, Wineries, and Related Agricultural Processors within the Central Valley Region*. Therefore, it is appropriate to rescind Waste Discharge Requirements Order 91-005.
- e. Waste Discharge Requirements Order 90-296, adopted on 2 November 1990, prescribes requirements for the discharge from Northshore Campgrounds, Plumas County (Facility). The Facility is comprised of a wastewater collection system with six (6) separate septic tanks and leachfields. The Facility is now regulated under Water Quality Order 2014-0153-DWQ

(General Order) for discharges to land from small domestic systems with a maximum average daily flow of 100,000 gallons or less. Therefore, it is appropriate to rescind Waste Discharge Requirements Order 90-296.

- f. Waste Discharge Requirements Order 93-086, adopted on 25 June 1993, prescribes requirements for the discharge from Rio Vista Mobile Estates, Tehama County (Facility). The Facility is comprised of a wastewater collection system with treatment ponds, and a common leachfield. The Facility is now regulated under Water Quality Order 2014-0153-DWQ (General Order) for discharges to land from small domestic systems with a maximum average daily flow of 100,000 gallons or less. Therefore, it is appropriate to rescind Waste Discharge Requirements Order 93-086.
- g. Waste Discharge Requirements Order R5-2015-0074, adopted on 5 June 2015, prescribes requirements for the discharge from the Seneca Mine, Plumas County (Facility). All mining and processing activities at the Facility have ceased and reclamation activities have been completed. Therefore, it is appropriate to rescind Waste Discharge Requirements Order R5-2015-0074.
- h. Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 94-008, adopted 28 January 1994, prescribes waste discharge requirements (WDRs) for a one-time disposal of rice hull ash into a waste management unit. The ash was from a waste-to-energy power plant operated by Wadham Energy Limited Partnership (Discharger) and the Eddy Road Rice Hull Ash Monofill (Monofill) disposal area is owned by Northern Crane, Inc. in Colusa County. The ash consisted of 90 percent silica dioxide and other oxides with iron and aluminum, and was considered inert. The WDRs and associated Monitoring and Reporting Program (MRP) required the Discharger to monitor underlying groundwater to demonstrate that the waste did not degrade underlying groundwater quality. The Discharger established water quality protection standards (WQPS) at the site and performed groundwater monitoring from 1994 to 2002 and from 2009 to 2016. Recent monitoring results show that total dissolved solids and metals are below the WQPS and below the respective primary and secondary maximum contaminant levels. The Monofill was closed with a vegetated soil cover in 1996. The Monofill area is fully vegetated across flat topography, and there is low potential for discharge to surface waters. Water Board staff determined that the Discharger has met the intent of the WDRs and MRP; therefore, it is appropriate to rescind WDR Order No. 94-008

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above Orders are rescinded.

I, PAMELA C. CREEDON, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region on December 6, 2016

PAMELA C. CREEDON, Executive Officer