

# California Regional Water Quality Control Board Central Valley Region

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Mr. Alex Szabo Rêve d'Or Vineyards & Winery, LLC 1974 Drake Drive Oakland, CA 94611 CERTIFIED MAIL 7010 0290 0000 8536 4049

#### NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY (NOA); CONDITIONAL WAIVER OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR SMALL FOOD PROCESSORS AND SMALL WINERIES WITHIN THE CENTRAL VALLEY REGION; ORDER NO. R5-2009-0097-0035; RÊVE D'OR VINEYARDS & WINERY; NEVADA COUNTY

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) staff received your application including the Report of Waste Discharge (RWD) and application fee of \$1,226 submitted for Rêve d'Or Vineyards & Winery for regulatory coverage under the *Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Small Food Processors and Small Wineries within the Central Valley Region, Order No. R5-2009-0097* (Order).

Rêve d'Or Vineyards & Winery is located at 14293 Gold Fork Road, Nevada City in Nevada County (APN 30-210-07). Based on the information in the application, we have determined that the Discharger meets the required conditions for approval under this Order for your facility and the proposed waste discharge. You are hereby assigned Order No. R5-2009-0097-0035.

The Order, adopted by the Central Valley Water Board on 8 October 2009, is a conditional waiver of waste discharge requirements for small wineries and small food processors. The Order is enclosed and may be viewed on our website at

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\_decisions/adopted\_orders/#Waivers. You are urged to familiarize yourself with the contents of the entire Order which prescribes mandatory discharge and monitoring requirements. The facility must be operated in accordance with the requirements contained in the General Order, Standard Provisions and Reporting Requirements for Waste Discharge Requirements, and with the information submitted in the RWD.

## **DISCHARGE DESCRIPTION**

Rêve d'Or Vineyards & Winery, LLC (referred to as Discharger) owns Rêve d'Or Vineyards & Winery. The winery will crush approximately 32 tons of grapes per year. The Discharger has estimated that approximately 20,000 gallons of winery process wastewater will be produced on an annual basis but may increase to approximately 26,000 gallons over the next five years. No more than 100,000 gallons of wastewater per year will be land applied. The Discharger estimates that no more than eight tons (wet weight) of solids (grape stems, seeds, and skins) will be produced annually based on the expected volume (32 tons) to be crushed each year.

## California Environmental Protection Agency

All activities producing wastewater will be conducted under the cover of a permanent roof structure and/or inside a covered building. Process wastewater gravity flows into a series of floor drains and is piped into a 1,500 gallon underground storage tank. Tank levels will be measured to estimate the volumes of wastewater generated per month. The land application area is approximately 12 acres consisting of both vineyards with cover crops and the surrounding pine forested area with natural vegetation. Wastewater is disposed of by a trailer mounted tank system to be evenly distributed over the land application area.

Solid waste will be temporarily stored in covered bins; then transported via tractor to be applied to land. The stems are segregated and applied to tractor roads with rakes, then run over by a tractor, to help with erosion control. The rest of the solids are applied at agronomic rates to the land application area as a soil amendment.

#### MONITORING AND REPORTING

This Order includes specific monitoring requirements that you must implement and reporting requirements you must comply with, including routine monitoring and reporting to the Central Valley Water Board. Please review the Monitoring and Reporting Program (MRP) closely and establish the appropriate record keeping system so that you are able to complete the required *Annual Monitoring Report* form, contained in the Order. The *Annual Monitoring Report* form must be submitted to our office by **1 February of each year**, even if there is no discharge during the reporting year.

### **GENERAL INFORMATION AND REQUIREMENTS**

This Order includes specific and general conditions required for your operation. In addition, you must maintain control over the discharge and operate in accordance to the information provided in your application.

Please review this Notice of Applicability carefully to ensure that it completely and accurately reflects the facility name, location, and discharge. Failure to comply with the requirements in the Order may result in an enforcement action as authorized by provisions of the California Water Code. If the discharge violates the terms or conditions above, the Central Valley Water Board may take enforcement action, including assessment of administrative civil liability which is a monetary penalty.

Discharge of waste material other than described in the application is prohibited. If the method of waste disposal changes from that described in your application, you must submit a new *Report of Waste Discharge Technical Information* form describing the new operation.

Please note that the Order will expire on 8 October 2014, at which time either (1) a new application with a filing fee will be necessary for regulatory coverage under a subsequently adopted new Order, or (2) the discharge must cease.

If you have any questions regarding submitting an updated report of waste discharge, or questions about making changes to your permitted operations, please contact Mr. Robin Merod at (916) 464-4697 or rmerod@waterboards.ca.gov.

All compliance and enforcement questions should be directed to Mr. Guy Childs of the Compliance and Enforcement Section at (916) 464-4635 or gchilds@waterboards.ca.gov. All monitoring reports should be submitted to Mr. Childs by the compliance due date.

- Original Signed by Ken Landau for -

Pamela C. Creedon Executive Officer

Enclosures (Discharger Only): General Conditional Waiver, Order No. R5-2009-0097 Electronic Copy of Annual Report Form (Compact Disc) Standard Provisions and Reporting Requirements for Waste Discharge Requirements, 1 March 1991

cc (Without Enclosure): Nevada County Environmental Health Department, Nevada City