

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

RESOLUTION R5-2015-XXXX

ADOPTING A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR  
A CONDITIONAL WAIVER OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR  
SMALL FOOD PROCESSORS, WINERIES, AND RELATED AGRICULTURAL  
PROCESSORS WITHIN  
THE CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

WHEREAS, the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) proposes to adopt a Conditional Waiver to regulate the discharge of wastewater and residual solids from small food processing operations, small wineries, and certain agricultural operations (such as nut hulling and seed washing operations), provided that the discharge meets certain criteria specified in the Conditional Waiver; and

WHEREAS, the Central Valley Water Board is the lead agency for this project under the California Environmental Quality Act (Pub. Resources Code, § 21000 et seq.) and has conducted an Initial Study in accordance with California Code of Regulations, title 14, sections 15060 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Conditional Waiver incorporates conditions and prohibitions that are identified in the Mitigated Negative Declaration and that will mitigate any potentially-significant environmental impacts to levels that would be considered less than significant; and

WHEREAS, copies of the Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration were transmitted to or made available to all agencies and persons known to be interested in these matters and the public notice complied with the legal requirements for such notice; and

WHEREAS, none of the facilities regulated under the Conditional Waiver appear on any list compiled pursuant to Government Code section 65962.5; and

WHEREAS, the Central Valley Water Board responded to and addressed all public comments on the proposed project; and

WHEREAS, none of the revisions addressed newly identified significant impacts or impacts previously thought to be insignificant and now thought to be significant; and

WHEREAS, the Central Valley Water Board considered all testimony and evidence at a public hearing held on \_\_\_ in Rancho Cordova, California, and good cause was found to approve the Initial Study and adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that:

1. Based on the Central Valley Water Board's independent judgment, the Central Valley Water Board hereby adopts the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the *Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Small Food Processors, Wineries, and Related Agricultural Processors within the Central Valley Region*.
2. The record before the Central Valley Water Board contains no substantial evidence that a fair argument has been made that the project may have a significant effect on the environment.

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

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PAMELA C. CREEDON, Executive Officer