

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

11020 Sun Center Drive #200, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Concerning

**TENTATIVE ORDER**

**AMENDING WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS  
ORDER R5-2010-0114-03 (NPDES NO. CA0077682)**

for

**SACRAMENTO REGIONAL COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT  
SACRAMENTO REGIONAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT  
SACRAMENTO COUNTY**

Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District (Discharger) owns and operates the Sacramento Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant (Facility). The Discharger provides wastewater treatment service to the Cities of Sacramento, Folsom, West Sacramento, and the Sacramento Area Sewer District. The Sacramento Area Sewer District service area includes the Cities of Elk Grove, Rancho Cordova, Citrus Heights, and portions of the unincorporated areas of Sacramento County. The population served is approximately 1.3 million people. The Facility is permitted to discharge 181 million gallons per day of treated wastewater to the Sacramento River within the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

On 11 April 2014, the Superior Court for Sacramento County entered a judgment and peremptory writ of mandate in the matter of California Sportfishing Protection Alliance v. California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (Case No. 34-2013-80001358-CU-QM-GDS) (Regional San Decision), and ordered the Central Valley Water Board to modify Order R5-2010-0114-03 (NPDES Permit No. CA0077682) to 1) vacate the Thermal Plan exceptions in the Permit and to reconsider the issue of whether Thermal Plan exceptions may be granted in this case under the standards set forth in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 40 CFR § 125.73(a); 2) vacate the portions of the Permit establishing effluent limitations for hardness-dependent metals, and to recalculate such effluent limitations using the equations set forth in 40 CFR § 131.38(b)(2), and without using the hardness value of the effluent in those equations; and 3) establish in the Permit a weekly effluent limitation for aluminum as required by 40 CFR § 122.45(d)(2). The proposed order amends Order R5-2010-0114-03 in accordance with the Regional San Decision.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Water Board meeting scheduled for:

DATE: 30/31 July 2015  
TIME: 8:30 a.m.  
PLACE: Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board Room  
11020 Sun Center Drive, #200  
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

- Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District Representatives

Only designated parties will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to introduce exhibits; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. All other persons wishing to testify or provide comments are interested persons and not designated parties. Such interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **5:00 p.m. on 19 June 2015**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is directly affected by the discharge.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - 2 -  
SACRAMENTO REGIONAL COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT  
SACRAMENTO REGIONAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT  
SACRAMENTO COUNTY

Persons wishing to comment on this noticed hearing item shall submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board via email to **RB5S-NPDES-Comments@waterboards.ca.gov** no later than **5:00 p.m. on 19 June 2015**. Written evidence or comments submitted after **5:00 p.m. on 19 June 2015** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record absent a ruling by the Board Chair. Any party requesting to submit late materials must demonstrate good cause for the late submission, and the Chair must find that accepting the late submission will not prejudice the Central Valley Water Board or any Designated Party.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Central Valley Water Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Chair.

Anyone having questions regarding the hearing item should contact Xuan Luo at (916) 464-4606 or Xuan.Luo@waterboards.ca.gov. Interested parties may download the tentative Order and related documents from the Central Valley Water Board's Internet website at [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\\_decisions/tentative\\_orders/](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/). Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley Water Board's office at 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. **The final meeting agenda will be available at [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\\_info/meetings/](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/) at least 10 days before the meeting. The agenda will provide the specific date the Board Meeting will be held for this item, indicate the anticipated order of all agenda items, and may include staff revisions to the proposed order(s).**

The procedures governing Central Valley Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Central Valley Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws\\_regulations/](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/). Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Central Valley Water Board's website at [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\\_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml) or by contacting any one of the Central Valley Water Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

*Original Signed By*  
ADAM LAPUTZ, Assistant Executive Officer

20 May 2015