CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION 11020 Sun Center Drive #200, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING concerning

## RENEWAL OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT CA0077895 FOR REGENTS, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT SOLANO AND YOLO COUNTIES

The Regents, University of California is the owner of the University of California, Davis Wastewater Treatment Plant (Facility), a publicly owned treatment works located at 561 Trotter Way, Davis, California. The University of California, Davis is the Facility operator. The Facility provides sewerage services for the University of California, Davis, serving a campus population of approximately 48,000. The Facility provides tertiary treatment for up to an average dry weather flow of 3.6 million gallons per day (MGD). Tertiary-treated wastewater from the Facility is discharged to the South Fork of Putah Creek, a water of the United States.

Discharges from the Facility are currently regulated by Waste Discharge Requirements Order R5-2014-0152, issued by the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) on 5 December 2014. An Order is proposed to renew the NPDES permit. The proposed permit includes new or updated effluent limitations for ammonia nitrogen, nitrate plus nitrite, mercury, and electrical conductivity. The proposed permit will remove existing effluent limitations for total residual chlorine because chlorine is no longer used at the Facility. The proposed permit will also remove the mass limits for biochemical oxygen demand (BOD<sub>5</sub>) and the mass limits for total suspended solids (TSS) because the mass-based limits for BOD<sub>5</sub> and TSS are redundant. Removal of these limits will not result in an increase in the pollutants or in the degradation of the receiving water.

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

DATE:	18/19 February 2021
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:

• Regents, University of California 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 **23 November 2020**. The request must

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explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is directly affected by the discharge.

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 email at **RB5S-NPDES-Comments@waterboards.ca.gov** no later than **5:00 p.m.** on **23 November 2020**. Written evidence or comments submitted after **5:00 p.m.** on **23 November 2020** 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 Board Chair.

Anyone having questions regarding the hearing item should contact David Kirn at: (916) 464-4761 or <u>david.kirn@waterboards.ca.gov</u>. Interested parties may download the tentative Order and related documents from the Central Valley Water Board's <u>Tentative Orders Page</u> (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 <u>Final Meeting Agenda</u> (http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\_info/meetings/) will be available 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

(http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws\_regulations/) 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. Information on Meeting and Hearing Procedures

(http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml) is available on the Central Valley Water Board's website or by contacting any one of the Central Valley Water Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to the Central Valley Water Board Office at (916) 464-3291.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to send an e-mail to <u>agenda5@waterboards.ca.gov</u> or call (916) 464-3291 at least 10 business 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.

ADAM LAPUTZ, Assistant Executive Officer

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