



Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

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NOTICE
TENTATIVE WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
FOR
CALIFIA FARMS, LLC
NORTH KERN WATER STORAGE DISTRICT
AND PARAMOUNT RANCH COMPANY, LP
CALIFIA BAKERSFIELD PROCESSING FACILITY
KERN COUNTY

TO ALL CONCERNED PERSONS AND AGENCIES:

Enclosed are tentative Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) for Califia Farms, LLC (Califia), North Kern Water Storage District (District), and the Paramount Ranch Company, LP, collectively referred to herein as Dischargers. The tentative WDRs and Monitoring and Reporting Program (MRP) were previously circulated for public review and comment between 8 April and 9 May 2022. In response to comments received during this period, a substantive change was made to the tentative WDRs and MRP – specifically, Paramount Ranch Company, LP has been added as a Discharger. In order to provide interested parties and the public with an opportunity to comment upon the updated tentative WDRs and MRP, both documents are being recirculated for a second

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30-day focused public comment period. Any comments submitted during this focused 30-day public comment period should only be regarding staff's proposed changes to the previously circulated tentative WDRs and MRP. For reference, enclosed is a copy of comments received during the first review period and staff's Response To Comments.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) meeting scheduled for:

Date: 11/12 August 2022
Time: To Be Determined
Place: Either as an online meeting or at the
Central Valley Water Board Office
11020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

To be given full consideration, any comments or recommendations you may have concerning the tentative WDRs and/or MRP must be submitted in writing to this office by 5:00 p.m. on **8 July 2022**. Absent a showing of good cause and lack of prejudice to other parties, the Board Chair may exclude comments and evidence received after this deadline.

To conserve paper and reduce mailing costs, a paper copy of the tentative WDRs has been sent only to the Dischargers. Others are advised that the tentative WDRs will be available, within the next few days, on the Central Valley Water Board's [Tentative Orders website](#) under the heading, "Discharger-Specific Items for Future Approval and/or Regional Water Board Meetings" (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/).

The Central Valley Water Board is implementing a Paperless Office system. Please email any comments to centralvalleyfresno@waterboards.ca.gov and copy Jeffrey.Pyle@waterboards.ca.gov. In the subject line of the email please include "**Califia Bakersfield Facility Tentative WDRs Comments**" and address the email to Jeffrey Pyle.

Although it is not required, we would appreciate receiving comments before the due date above. If you have any questions regarding the tentative WDRs, or if you do not have Internet access and wish to request a paper copy, please contact Jeffrey Pyle at (559) 445-5145 or by email at Jeffrey.Pyle@waterboards.ca.gov.

Original Signed by:

ALEXANDER S. MUSHEGAN

Senior Engineer

(see next page for Attachment, Enclosures, and cc's)

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Attachment: ● Native American Heritage Commission Native American Contacts List (Kern County)

Enclosure: ● Tentative Waste Discharge Requirements and MRP (Dischargers only)
● Jo Anne Kipps Comments (10 May 2022)
● Central Valley Water Board staff's Response to Comments

cc's w/o enc:

- Christopher Moskal, State Water Resources Control Board, OCC, Sacramento (via email)
- Laurel Warddrip, Senior Scientist, State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Water Quality, Sacramento (via email)
- Department of Fish and Wildlife, Region IV, Fresno
- Department of Water Resources, San Joaquin District, Fresno
- San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District, Fresno
- Adam Forbes, State Water Resources Control Board, DDW, Fresno (via email)
- Kern County, Environmental Health Services, Bakersfield
- Native American Contacts List (see attached Native American Heritage Commission Native American Contacts List for Kern County)
- Stephanie Hearn, GEI Consultants, Inc., Bakersfield, CA (via email)
- Jo Anne Kipps (via email)