

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION
11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

concerning

TENTATIVE ORDER
WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS ORDER R5-2026-XXXX
NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM
PERMIT CA0083861
AND
TIME SCHEDULE ORDER R5-2026-XXXX

FOR
AEROJET ROCKETDYNE, INC.
GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION AND TREATMENT SYSTEMS,
ARGET, GET EF, GET HA, GET J, GET KA, GET LA, GET LB,
GET AB, WRND GET, SAILOR BAR PARK GET, COOLING
TOWER 20019, GOLDEN STATE WATER WELLS AND LOW
THREAT DISCHARGES
SACRAMENTO COUNTY

Discharger and Tentative Orders Information

The Aerojet Rocketdyne, Inc. (hereinafter Discharger) is the owner and operator of groundwater extraction and treatment systems ARGET, GET EF, GET HA, GET J, GET KA, GET LA, GET LB, GET AB, WRND GET, Sailor Bar Park GET, and Low Threat Discharges and Cooling Tower 20019. Golden State Water Company (hereinafter Golden State) is the owner and operator of AC-18 Well System and AC-25 Well System. The Discharger operates treatment units at AC-18 and AC-25 Well Systems to treat Golden State's drinking water wells that have been contaminated by the Discharger's past rocket manufacturing and testing operations. ARGET, GET EF, GET HA, GET J, GET KA, GET LA, GET LB, GET AB, WRND GET, Sailor Bar Park GET, Cooling Tower 20019, AC-18, and AC-25, and Low Threat Discharges is hereinafter the "Facility". These treatment systems discharge treated groundwater to surface waters in accordance with an NPDES permit. The maximum daily design flow capacity of the facilities are 5.04 million gallon per day (mgd) for ARGET, 11.52 mgd for GET EF, 3.9 mgd for GET HA, 6.75 mgd for GET J, 5.11 mgd for GET KA, 2.88 mgd for GET LA, 1.44 mgd for GET LB, 1.3 mgd for AC-25, 2.59 mgd for AC-18, 5.76 mgd for GET AB, 2.88 mgd for WRND GET, 0.0008 mgd for Cooling Tower 20019, and 0.58 mgd for Sailor Bar Park GET. The Facility discharges treated groundwater to Alder Creek, American River, Buffalo Creek, Morrison Creek, and Sailor Bar Park Pond, waters of the United States within the American River and Sacramento River watersheds.

Discharges from the Facility are currently regulated by Waste Discharge Requirements

Order R5-2020-0051-003, issued by the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) on 16 October 2020. An Order is proposed to renew the NPDES permit. A Time Schedule Order is also proposed which includes a compliance schedule for the Discharger to achieve compliance with final N-Nitrosodimethylamine (NDMA) effluent limitations.

Public Hearing Date and Location

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

DATE: 16/17 April 2026
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
PLACE: Regional Water Quality Control Board
Fresno
1685 E. Street
Fresno, CA 93706

Physical Meeting Location w/Remote Meeting
Option

The [final meeting agenda](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/) (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/) will be available at least **10 days** before the meeting. The agenda will provide the anticipated date the hearing will be held for this item and anticipated order of all agenda items; however, the Board may consider agenda items out of their listed order. The agenda materials may also include staff revisions to the tentative Order.

Nature and Purpose of Hearing

At the hearing, the Central Valley Water Board will hear testimony and oral comments regarding the tentative Order. This proceeding will be a formal adjudicatory proceeding. The [procedures governing Central Valley Water Board adjudicatory hearings](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/) (http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/) may be found at California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 648 et seq. and are available upon request.

Prehearing Submission of Written Comments and Evidence

The **Discharger** is a party to this proceeding. As a party, the Discharger must submit written evidence or comments, if any, for the Board to consider no later than 5:00 p.m. on **4 March 2026** to the Central Valley Water Board email at RB5S-NPDES-Comments@waterboards.ca.gov.

Interested persons include any non-party that is interested in the outcome of the hearing. Interested persons wishing to comment, in writing, on the tentative Order shall submit comments no later than 5:00 p.m. on **4 March 2026** to the Central Valley Water

Board email at RB5S-NPDES-Comments@waterboards.ca.gov.

Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 648.4, the Board Chair may refuse to admit written evidence or comments that are not submitted in accordance with this Notice and shall refuse to do so when there is a showing of prejudice to the Discharger or the Board. Excluded material will not be considered by the Board.

Visual Presentations

Hearing participants may use PowerPoint or other visual presentations at the hearing, but the presentation content shall not exceed the scope of previously submitted written material. Presentations, if any, must be provided to the below Central Valley Water Board Contact by 12:00 p.m. on **14 April 2026**.

Hearing Procedure and Time Limits

The hearing on the tentative Order will be conducted in the general order listed under California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 648.5, except that the Board Chair may modify the order for good cause.

The **Discharger** will be advised in advance of the hearing of the total amount of time allocated for their presentation and closing statement. The Discharger is invited to contact staff in advance of the hearing to discuss how much time they believe is necessary.

Interested persons may speak at the hearing and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals, if any. Each interested person will have 3 minutes to present oral comments. Additional time may be provided, upon request, at the discretion of the Board Chair.

Hearing Accommodations

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to send an e-mail to agenda5@waterboards.ca.gov or call 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.

Availability of Documents

The tentative Order and related documents may be found on the Central Valley Water Board's [Tentative Orders Page](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/) (http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/). Copies of these documents may 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. Scheduling an

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appointment to review the file by contacting the below Central Valley Water Board
Contact in advance is not required but calling ahead will help ensure timely access to
these documents.

Central Valley Water Board Contact

Anyone having questions regarding this hearing item should contact Sarah Curry at
(916) 464-4713 or sarah.curry@waterboards.ca.gov.

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

Adam Laputz, Assistant Executive Officer