



## Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

9 April 2025

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### **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR CONSIDERATION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS ORDER R5-2025-XXXX, US MINE CORPORATION US MINE IONE CORPORATION IONE PLANT, AMADOR COUNTY**

Enclosed is a Notice of Public Hearing (Notice) and a draft copy of the subject Order and its accompanying documents. As stated in the Notice, the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) will consider adoption of the subject Order at a public meeting scheduled for:

**DATE:** 19/20 June 2025  
**TIME:** 08:30 a.m.  
**PLACE:** Central Valley Water Board  
11020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200  
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

The date, time, and location of the public meeting may change after this Notice is issued. A Final Agenda will be made available at least ten days before the public meeting and will provide final date, time, location, and other details. Please review the Notice carefully for information, including how to obtain the Final Agenda and how to provide comments on the proposed Order.

**Written comments on the draft Order must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on 9 May 2025.** Comments should be submitted to [Natasha.Vidic@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Natasha.Vidic@waterboards.ca.gov), with the subject line "Comments on Proposed Order." Alternatively, comments may be mailed to the following address:

Attention: Natasha Vidic  
Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board  
11020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200  
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

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Written materials received after 5 p.m. on **9 May 2025** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party.

If you do not have access to the Internet or otherwise require paper copies of these documents, please contact my staff Natasha Vidic at (916) 464 4614 or by e-mail at [Natasha.Vidic@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Natasha.Vidic@waterboards.ca.gov), or you may contact me at (916) 464-1588 or by email at [Brad.Shelton@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Brad.Shelton@waterboards.ca.gov).

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Enclosures:

1. Notice of Public Hearing
2. Tentative Waste Discharge Requirements Order R5-2025-XXXX
3. Tentative Monitoring and Reporting Program Order R5-2025-XXXX

Cc (by e-mail):

- Chris Strong, US Mine Corporation, Ione
- Sara Dutschke, Ione Band of Miwok Indians, Ione
- Chuck Beatty and Planning Department, Amador County
- Shah Mohammad, Department of Conservation, Sacramento
- Jack Mitchell, Ledger Dispatch, Jackson
- George Low, Central Valley Water Quality Control Board, Redding
- Jessica Jahr, State Water Quality Control Board, Sacramento