

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

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APPROVAL OF THE CALIFORNIA RICE COMMISSION'S 2024 PESTICIDE MONITORING

Thank you for submitting your proposal for pesticide monitoring in 2024. The proposal identifies halosulfuron-methyl and triclopyr TEA for monitoring in compliance with the Monitoring and Reporting Program for General Order R5-2014-0032 (Order). Additionally, limited monitoring of lambda-cyhalothrin will be conducted to satisfy management plan requirements.

The pesticides selected for monitoring were determined using your approved 2020 Rice Pesticide Evaluation process. Your initial proposal in the 2023 Annual Monitoring Report identified two newer pesticides, florypyrauxifen-benzyl and methoxyfenozide, that require preparation of analytical methods (see section IVB.4 of Attachment C, Order No. R5-2010-0805, Monitoring and Reporting Program for California Rice Commission, Quality Assurance Program Plan Guidelines) before they can be monitored under the Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program. A continuation of monitoring for halosulfuron-methyl and triclopyr TEA has been provided as an alternative for 2024 and this will be their fourth year of monitoring. 2024 is the final core monitoring year of a 5-year cycle that includes assessment and modified assessment monitoring (at core and primary sites) and three years of core monitoring (primary sites only).

I approve your pesticide monitoring proposal for 2024. Please continue to work with staff on preparation of analytical methods for newly registered pesticides. If you have any questions or comments regarding this review, please contact Ashley Peters at Ashley.Peters@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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