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San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board

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Mr. Bert Caster Oak Tree Ranch, Inc. Whispering Palms Community Service District 2239 Black Canyon Rd #80 Ramona, CA 92065 In reply refer to / attn: 245585:BBushnell

Subject: Review of Monitoring Reports for Oak Tree Ranch Private Residential Community Wastewater Treatment and Disposal System

Mr. Caster:

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board) has reviewed the monitoring reports listed below in Table 1. Oak Tree Ranch, Inc. (Discharger) submitted the monitoring reports as required by the Monitoring and Reporting Program No. R9-2007-0046.

Table 1. List of Monitoring Reports Reviewed

Report Type	Report Date
Quarterly Monitoring Reports	January-March 2015, July-September 2015
	October-December 2015, January-March
	2016, April-June 2016 July-September 2016
	and October-December 2016
Semiannual Groundwater Monitoring Reports	July-December 2015, January-June 2016
	and July-December 2016
Annual Monitoring Reports	2015 and 2016

Violations of Section B.1 (Discharge Specifications) of Order No. R9-2007-0046 were identified in the monitoring reports are described below:

- The discharge specification for the daily maximum concentration of total dissolved solids (TDS) is established at 1,000 milligrams per liter (mg/L) was exceeded on March 29, 2016 with a reported concentration of 6,230 mg/L.
- 2. The discharge specification for the monthly average concentration of total dissolved solids (TDS) is established at 800 mg/L was exceeded on the following dates:

Date	Value (mg/L)
December 7, 2015	813
December 30 , 2016	2,109

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3. The discharge specification for the daily maximum concentration of nitrogen is established at 9.64 mg/L and was exceeded on the following dates:

Date	Value (mg/L)
September 16, 2015	11.5
March 25, 2016	9.84
June 13, 2016	53.8
September 26, 2016	14.0

Table 3. Daily Maximum Nitrogen Exceedances

- 4. The discharge specification for the 12-month average concentration of nitrogen established at 3.36 mg/L was exceeded in 2016 with an average nitrogen concentration of 23.8 mg/L.
- 5. The monitoring and reporting program Order No. R9-2007-0046 requires quarterly sampling and reporting of TDS. There was no TDS concentration reported for the first quarter of 2015.

The San Diego Water Board has the following comments regarding the reports reviewed:

- 1. In the next monitoring report please include a copy of the second quarter of 2015 report along with semiannual groundwater monitoring results.
- 2. The next monitoring report due is the January-March 2017 quarterly report, which is due by <u>April 30, 2017</u>.

Please continue to implement follow-up actions necessary to ensure that the violations noted above do not occur in the future. These violations may subject the Discharger to possible further enforcement action by the San Diego Water Board including but not limited to: administrative enforcement orders requiring the Discharger to cease and desist from violations, or administrative assessments of civil liabilities in amounts of up to \$5,000 per day per violation; referral to the State Attorney General for injunctive relief; and referral to the District Attorney for criminal prosecution.

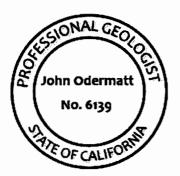
In the subject line of any response, please include reference **245585**:**BBushnell**. Please contact Mr. Brandon Bushnell at 619-521-8044, or at <u>brandon.bushnell@waterboards.ca.gov</u> if you have any questions or comments.

Respectfully,

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