# CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD SAN DIEGO REGION

#### NOTICE OF WRITTEN COMMENT PERIOD

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board) is releasing the following documents for public review and comment:

- Tentative Order No. R9-2025-0012, Waste Discharge Requirements for Demler Brothers LLC, Pine Hill Egg Ranch and Pullet Farm, Ramona, San Diego County (Tentative Order);
- Tentative Resolution No. R9-2025-0054, Adoption of a Negative Declaration Regarding Potential Environmental Impacts for Waste Discharge Requirements for Demler Brothers LLC, Pine Hill Egg Ranch and Pullet Farm, Ramona, San Diego County (Tentative Resolution);
- Proposed Negative Declaration for Adoption of Waste Discharge Requirements for Demler Brothers LLC, Pine Hill Egg Ranch and Pullet Farm, Ramona, San Diego County (Proposed Neg Dec);
- Nutrient Management Plan for Pine Hill Egg Ranch; and
- Nutrient Management Plan for Pine Hill Pullet Farm.

### Proposed San Diego Water Board Actions

Adoption of the Tentative Order and Tentative Resolution are currently scheduled to be considered by the San Diego Water Board on August 13, 2025.

#### Proposed Executive Officer Administrative Action

Approval of the Nutrient Management Plans for the Pine Hill Egg Ranch and Pullet Farm will be considered by the San Diego Water Board Executive Officer on or after the August 13, 2025, San Diego Water Board meeting.

Nutrient Management Plans are implemented to support compliance with the statewide Industrial General Permit (IGP, Order No. 2014-0057-DWQ, as amended) and serve as the combined measure to effectively regulate confined animal feeding operations. Nutrient Management Plans include best management practices that are specific to the operation enrolled in the IGP, and control discharges of nutrients to surface waters, that when implemented, help to protect water quality.

## **Document Availability**

The Tentative Order, Tentative Resolution, and Proposed Neg Dec are available online at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/board decisions/tentative orders/

Interested persons may receive copies of the Nutrient Management Plans by contacting Tony Felix by phone at (619) 521-5921, or by email at <a href="mailto:Tony.Felix@waterboards.ca.gov">Tony.Felix@waterboards.ca.gov</a>.

Interested persons may also obtain copies of any of the subject documents by visiting the San Diego Water Board office at 2375 Northside Drive, Suite 100, San Diego, California 92108-2700, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

#### **Submission of Written Comments**

## Tentative Order, Tentative Resolution, and Proposed Neg Dec

Written comments on the Tentative Order, Tentative Resolution, and Proposed Neg Dec are due by **5:00 p.m. on Friday, June 20, 2025**. Interested persons may submit written comments by email to the attention of Dr. Mahsa Izadmehr to <a href="mailto:SanDiego@waterboards.ca.gov">SanDiego@waterboards.ca.gov</a>. Please indicate in the subject line of all written comments "Comment – Tentative Order No. R9-2025-0012 and Proposed Neg Dec"

The early submission of written comments on the Tentative Order, Tentative Resolution, or Proposed Neg Dec are encouraged. Written comments received by **5:00 p.m. on Friday, June 20, 2025**, will be provided to the San Diego Water Board members for their review in advance of the public hearing to consider the adoption of the Tentative Order and Tentative Resolution. The San Diego Water Board will prepare written responses to comments that are timely received. Consistent with State Water Resources Control Board regulations that apply to this proceeding, written comments received after **5:00 p.m. on Friday, June 20, 2025**, will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party.

# Nutrient Management Plans for the Pine Hill Egg Ranch and Pullet Farm

Written comments on the Nutrient Management Plans are due by **5:00 p.m. on Friday**, **June 20, 2025**. Interested persons may submit written comments by email to the attention of Tony Felix to <a href="mailto:SanDiego@waterboards.ca.gov">SanDiego@waterboards.ca.gov</a>. Please indicate in the subject line of all written comments "Comment – Nutrient Management Plans for Pine Hill Egg Ranch and Pullet Farm". The San Diego Water Board may refuse to accept written comments after **June 20, 2025**.

## Public Hearing for Consideration of the Tentative Order and Tentative Resolution

The San Diego Water Board will conduct the public hearing on the proposed adoption of the Tentative Order and Tentative Resolution during its meeting scheduled at the following time and location:

Wednesday, August 13, 2025, 9:00 a.m. San Diego Water Board Meeting Room 2375 Northside Drive, Suite 100 San Diego, California 92108

Interested persons may speak at the Board meeting. Oral statements may be limited in time by the Board Chair.

The *Meeting Notice and Agenda* will be posted at least two weeks prior to the meeting date on the following webpage:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/board info/agendas/

The procedures governing San Diego Water Board meetings are found in California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 647, et seq., and are available upon request.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. The *Meeting Notice* and *Agenda* for this meeting will provide contact information for persons requesting special accommodations.

#### **Contact for Further Information**

Please contact Dr. Mahsa Izadmehr by phone at (619) 521-8048, or by email at <a href="Mahsa.Izadmehr@waterboards.ca.gov">Mahsa.Izadmehr@waterboards.ca.gov</a>, for information regarding the Tentative Order, Tentative Resolution, or Proposed Neg Dec.

Please contact Tony Felix by phone at (619) 521-5921, or by email at <a href="mailto:Tony.Felix@waterboards.ca.gov">Tony.Felix@waterboards.ca.gov</a> for information regarding the Nutrient Management Plans.

Date of Notice: May 21, 2025