ITEM: 6

SUBJECT: Waste Discharge Requirements: An Order rescinding: Order No. 93-112 for the County of San Diego, Descanso Detention Water Pollution Control Facility; Order No. 90-016 for the City of San Diego, San Pasqual Water Reclamation Facility; and Order No. 79-24 for the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, Robert A. Skinner Filtration Plant Sludge Disposal Site (Tentative Order No. R9-2010-0093) (Fisayo Osibodu and Cathryn Henning)


PUBLIC NOTICE: All interested parties were notified of the action to rescind Orders Nos. 93-112, 90-016, and 79-24 on July 6, 2010 with mailings of the tentative Order. In addition, the tentative Order was published on the San Diego Water Board’s website. These public notification actions satisfy the requirements of California Water Code section 13167.5.

DISCUSSION: Tentative Order No. R9-2010-0093 (Supporting Document No. 1) rescinds Order No. 93-112, Waste Discharge Requirements for the San Diego County Sheriff’s Department, Descanso Detention Facility, Water Pollution Control Facility, San Diego County; Order No. 90-016, Waste Discharge Requirements for the City San Diego, San Pasqual Reclamation Facility, San Diego County; and Order No. 79-24, Waste Discharge Requirements, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, Robert A. Skinner Filtration Plant, Sludge Disposal Site.

On May 20, 2010, the County of San Diego requested rescission of Order No. 93-112 (Supporting Document No. 2). The County of San Diego ceased operating the Descanso Detention Facility in June 2009. Subsequent inspections by the San Diego Water Board confirmed that the Descanso Detention Facility is vacant and the treatment plant is inoperable.
On May 20, 2010, the City of San Diego requested rescission of Order No. 96-016 (Supporting Document No. 3). The City of San Diego ceased operating the San Pasqual Water Reclamation Facility in December 2001. Subsequent inspections by the San Diego Water Board confirmed that the treatment plant is inoperable, and that wastewater previously sent to the San Pasqual Water Reclamation Facility is now being sent via Pump Station Number 77 to the Hale Avenue Resource Recovery Facility in Escondido, California.

On May 13, 2010, the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (District) requested rescission of Order No. 79-24 (Supporting Document No. 4). The District ceased disposal of sludge generated at the Robert A. Skinner Filtration Plant to the plant’s sludge disposal site in 1994. Sludge is now hauled to an offsite waste management facility. Subsequent inspections by the San Diego Water Board noted that the District terminated onsite disposal of sludge.

KEY ISSUES and LEGAL CONCERNS: None

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

1. Tentative Order No. R9-2010-0093

2. County of San Diego’s Request for Rescission of Order No. 93-112

3. City of San Diego’s Request for Rescission of Order No. 90-016

4. Metropolitan Water District of Southern California’s Request for Rescission of Order No. 79-24

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES and COMPLIANCE RECORD: None

RECOMMENDATION: Adoption of tentative Order No. R9-2010-0093.
SUPPORTING DOCUMENT NO. 1

Tentative Order No. R9-2010-0093
SUPPORTING DOCUMENT NO. 2

County of San Diego’s Request for Rescission of Order No. 93-112
SUPPORTING DOCUMENT NO. 3

City of San Diego’s Request for Rescission of Order No. 90-016
SUPPORTING DOCUMENT NO. 4

Metropolitan Water District of Southern California’s Request for Rescission of Order No. 79-24