

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD, SAN DIEGO REGION**

**- NOTICE OF WRITTEN COMMENT PERIOD -  
TENTATIVE**

**SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND STIPULATION FOR ENTRY OF  
ADMINISTRATIVE CIVIL LIABILITY  
ORDER NO. R9-2018-0160**

**IN THE MATTER OF ALVARADO HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER  
GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION DISCHARGE TO SURFACE WATERS WITHIN THE  
SAN DIEGO REGION**

**TENTATIVE ORDER**

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board) is considering the adoption of Settlement Agreement and Stipulation for Entry of Administrative Civil Liability Order (Stipulated Order) No. R9-2018-0160. The Stipulated Order is a settlement agreement between Alvarado Hospital Medical Center and the San Diego Water Board's Prosecution Team to address mandatory minimum penalties associated with alleged late reporting violations of *General Waste Discharge Requirements for Groundwater Extraction Discharges to Surface Waters within the San Diego Region* (Order No. R9-2015-0013).

To resolve the alleged violations without formal administrative proceedings, Alvarado Hospital Medical Center has agreed to the final imposition of an administrative civil liability in the amount of \$54,000, the mandatory minimum penalty amount required by Water Code section 13385.1.

**DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY**

A copy of the Stipulated Order is available for download and review from the San Diego Water Board's website at:

[https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/water\\_issues/programs/compliance/acl\\_complaints.html](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/water_issues/programs/compliance/acl_complaints.html)

**WRITTEN COMMENT PERIOD**

The San Diego Water Board is accepting written comments on the Stipulated Order. **Written comments are due by 5:00 p.m. on January 4, 2019.**

Interested persons may submit written comments on the Stipulated Order during the public comment period by e-mail to the attention of Mr. Keith Yaeger ([SanDiego@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:SanDiego@waterboards.ca.gov)). Please indicate in the subject line of all written comments "Comment - Stipulated Order No. R9-2018-0160". The San Diego Water Board may refuse to accept written comments received after the deadline. All comments timely received will be provided to the San Diego Water Board, or its delegate, to consider whether to accept or deny the Stipulated Order.

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

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