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December 30, 2011

In reply refer to: 382624:ccannova

Mr. Matt Estrin Associate Director of Facilities San Diego Wild Animal Park 15500 San Pasqual Valley Road Escondido, CA 92027-8702

Dear Mr. Estrin:

SUBJECT: REVIEW OF MONITORING REPORTS FOR

SAN DIEGO ZOO'S SAFARI PARK SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region has reviewed the February-November 2011 monthly, January-March, April-June, and July-September 2011 quarterly monitoring reports submitted by the Zoological Society of San Diego in accordance with the Monitoring and Reporting Program of Order No. 99-04.

The following violations of Addendum No. 1 to Order No. 99-04 were identified in the submitted report:

- 1. The maximum effluent limitation of coliform in any 30-day period, established at 240 MPN/100mL, was exceeded on October 9, 11, 16, and 17, 2011 with reported values of 1600, 1600, 300, and 1600 MPN/100mL, respectively.
- 2. The maximum effluent limitation of coliform based on the median of results from a seven day period, established at 23 MPN/100mL, was exceeded October 12-18, 2011 with a value of 80 MPN/100mL.

Please take steps to implement follow-up actions necessary to ensure that the violations noted do not occur in the future. These violations subject the District to possible further enforcement action by the San Diego Water Board, including administrative enforcement orders requiring District to cease and desist from violations, or to clean up waste and abate existing or threatened conditions of pollution or nuisance; administrative assessment of civil liability in amounts of up to \$5,000 per day per violation; 1 referral to the State Attorney General for injunctive relief; and referral to the District Attorney for criminal prosecution.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Under authority of California Water Code section 13350.

The next monitoring report required to be submitted is the December 2011 monthly monitoring report which is due by January 31, 2012.

In the subject line of any response, please include the requested "In refer to" information located in the heading of this letter. Please contact Ms. Catherine Cannova at (858) 627-3977 or at <a href="mailto:ccannova@waterboards.ca.gov">ccannova@waterboards.ca.gov</a> if you have any questions on this matter.

Sincerely,

Ben Tobler

Water Resource Control Engineer Cleanup and Land Discharge Branch

Regulatory Measure #: 382624

Violation ID #: 1) 916015, 916046, 916047, 916048 2) 916049