
Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

July 5, 2012

John Silva, Owner
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Dear Mr. Silva:

MONTEREY WINE COMPANY - ENROLLMENT UNDER *GENERAL WINERY ORDER*¹

Thank you for your *Notice of Intent* to have the Monterey Wine Company regulated under our *General Winery Order*. Based upon your submittals and our records, we understand that:

- The Monterey Wine Company winery can crush approximately 14,000 tons of grapes per year and generate approximately 52,850 gallons per day of winery process wastewater during the crush season.
- All process wastewater and stormwater from outdoor processing areas will be captured and treated using aerated wastewater ponds.
- Treated wastewater from these ponds is recycled for vineyard and pasture use, with approximately 3,500 acres of property available to receive the recycled water.
- Wine processing solid waste is stored onsite and ultimately hauled to a compost facility.
- Sanitary waste is discharged to an onsite septic system.

The Monterey Wine Company appears to meet the conditions for enrollment under the *General Winery Order*. Therefore, the Monterey Wine Company's process wastewater discharge is tentatively enrolled under the *General Winery Order*. The enrollment is contingent on our Board's rescission of Monterey Wine Company's individual Order No. R3-2002-0058. Accordingly, at a regularly scheduled public meeting in Santa Barbara on **October 18, 2012**, Water Board staff will recommend that the Central Coast Water Board rescind Monterey Wine Company's individual Order No. R3-2002-0058.

Please review the enclosed staff report and the *General Winery Order* (including its corresponding Monitoring and Reporting Program). If you have any comments or concerns about the enrollment or our recommendations to the Water Board, please submit them in writing no later than **August 17, 2012**.

¹ More formally known as "Order No. R3-2008-0018, General Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Winery Waste."

Please note that, until the Water Board approves the proposed rescission, the Monterey Wine Company must continue to comply with individual waste discharge requirements, Order No. R3-2002-0058. Also, the annual fees that the Monterey Wine Company has been paying for its existing waste discharge requirements will continue under the General Winery Order.

If you have further questions please call **Tom Kukol at (805) 549-3689** or email at tkukol@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

for Roger W. Briggs
Executive Officer

Enclosures: 1. Staff Report for proposed enrollment/rescission
 2. General Winery Order

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