

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION
1685 E Street, Fresno, CA 93706

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
concerning

**RENEWAL OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
(NPDES NO. CA0078950)
AND
ADOPTION OF A TIME SCHEDULE ORDER
FOR
PLANADA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
PLANADA WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY
MERCED COUNTY**

Planada Community Services District owns and operates a wastewater treatment facility (Facility), which provides sewerage service for the community of Planada. Treated domestic wastewater is discharged to Miles Creek, a tributary of the San Joaquin River. The discharge is regulated by Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) Order No. R5-2005-0009, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit No. CA0078950. The Discharger is also under Time Schedule Order (TSO) No. R5-2010-0900, which provides a time schedule for compliance with new effluent limitations in Order No. R5-2005-0009 for carbon tetrachloride, cyanide, chlorodibromomethane, dichlorobromomethane, biochemical oxygen demand (BOD), total suspended solids (TSS), total coliform, BOD and TSS percent removal, and turbidity.

The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) will consider adoption of WDRs renewing the NPDES permit and a new TSO. The proposed WDRs carry over the final effluent limitations for carbon tetrachloride, cyanide, chlorodibromomethane, dichlorobromomethane, BOD, TSS, BOD and TSS percent removal and total coliform. The proposed WDRs also include new effluent limitations for total dissolved solids, total nitrate nitrogen (as N), total ammonia nitrogen (as N), and chronic toxicity. The Discharger is unable to immediately comply with the new effluent limitations for total dissolved solids and total ammonia nitrogen (as N). The WDRs include a time schedule for compliance with these new effluent limitations. A tentative TSO is also included to continue the time schedule for compliance with effluent limitations for carbon tetrachloride, cyanide, chlorodibromomethane, dichlorobromomethane, BOD, TSS, BOD and TSS percent removal, and total coliform.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Water Board meeting which is scheduled for:

DATE: 8/9/10 June 2011
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
PLACE: Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
11020 Sun Center Drive, #200
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

The designated party for this hearing is as follows:

- Planada Community Services District

Designated parties, but not interested persons, will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. Central Valley Water Board staff will prepare the administrative record and may present evidence, make an oral presentation, and cross-examine opposing witnesses.

Interested persons may not cross examine witnesses and will not be subject to cross examination. Interested persons may submit evidence (e.g., photographs, eye-witness testimony, monitoring data) if the evidence is submitted in accordance with the deadlines for submitting evidence described below. Interested persons who present evidence may be subject to cross-examination. Interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **9 May 2011**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is affected by the discharge.

The tentative WDRs and tentative TSO were issued on 5 April 2011. Persons wishing to comment on these items must submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than by **5 p.m. on 9 May 2011**. Written materials submitted after **5 p.m. on 9 May 2011** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record absent a ruling by the Board Chair. A party requesting to submit late materials must demonstrate good cause for the late submission, and the Board Chair must find that the late submission would not prejudice the Central Valley Water Board or any designated party.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Central Valley Water Board hearing and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Board Chair. Both designated parties and interested persons may be asked to respond to clarifying questions from Board members, counsel staff or others, at the discretion of the Central Valley Water Board.

Anyone having questions on the tentative WDRs or tentative TSO should contact Aide Ortiz at (559) 445-6083 or at aortiz@waterboards.ca.gov. Interested parties may download these items and related documents from the Central Valley Water Board's Internet web site at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/. Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley Water Board's office at 1685 "E" Street, Fresno, California 93706 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

The final Central Valley Water Board meeting agenda will be available at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/#2011 at least ten days

before the meeting. The agenda will provide the dates the hearing will be held, indicate the anticipated order of agenda items, and may include staff revisions to the tentative WDRs and tentative TSO.

The procedures governing Central Valley Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Central Valley Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/. Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Central Valley Water Board's website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml or by contacting any one of the Central Valley Water Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.



LONNIE M. WASS, Supervising Engineer

5 April 2011