

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION
364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 205, Redding, CA 96002

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
concerning

**RENEWAL OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
(NPDES PERMIT NO. CA0078891)
FOR
CITY OF RED BLUFF
RED BLUFF WASTEWATER RECLAMATION FACILITY
TEHAMA COUNTY**

The City of Red Bluff (Discharger) owns and SouthWest Water Company operates the Red Bluff Wastewater Reclamation Plant, a publically owned treatment works located at 700 Messer Drive, Red Bluff, Tehama County. The Discharger may be contacted by mail at 555 Washington Street, Red Bluff, CA 96080. The treatment system at the Facility consists of bar screening; aerated grit removal, primary sedimentation, biological treatment by activated sludge, secondary sedimentation; filtration; disinfection; and dechlorination. Primary and waste activated sludge is aerobically digested then dewatered in sludge drying beds. Dried sludge is hauled to a landfill. Approximately 2.5 million gallons per day (dry weather flow) of treated wastewater is discharged through an outfall pipeline to the Sacramento River, a water of the United States.

Discharges from the Facility are currently regulated by Waste Discharge Requirements Order R5-2007-0041, issued by the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) on 04 May 2007. An Order is proposed to renew the NPDES permit. The Discharger is expected to be able to immediately comply with the tentative NPDES permit, if adopted.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Regional Water Board meeting that is scheduled for:

DATE: **30, 31 May 2013**
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
PLACE: Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
11020 Sun Center Drive #200
Rancho Cordova, CA

The designated party for this hearing is as follows:

- City of Red Bluff representatives

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. Regional 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 Regional Water Board no later than **5:00 p.m. on 06 May 2013**. 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 Order was issued on **05 April 2013**. Persons wishing to comment on this item must submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Regional Water Board no later than **5:00 p.m. on 06 May 2013**. Written materials submitted after this date and time will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record absent a ruling by the Chair. A party requesting to submit late materials must demonstrate good cause for the late submission, and the Chair must find that the late submission would not prejudice the Regional Water Board or any designated party.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Regional Water Board meeting, 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 Regional Water Board members, counsel staff or others, at the discretion of the Regional Water Board.

Anyone having questions on the proposed Orders should contact Greg Cash at (530) 224-3208. Interested parties may download the proposed Orders and related documents from the Regional Water Board's Internet website at

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/.

Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Regional Water Board's office at 364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 205, Redding, CA 96002 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

The final meeting agenda will be available at

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/agendas/

at least ten days before the meeting. The agenda will provide the dates the Regional Water Board meeting will be held, indicate the anticipated order of agenda items, and may include staff revisions to the proposed order(s).

The procedures governing Regional 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 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 Board's website at

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml

or by contacting any one of the Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzarda 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-Rizzarda 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.

Original signed by

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