

Regional Water Quality Control Board Central Valley  
Region Board Meeting  
8/9 December 2022

Response to Written Comments for  
TENTATIVE RESCISSION OF  
WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS  
FOR THE  
FORESTHILL CLASS III LANDFILL  
PLACER COUNTY

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At a public hearing scheduled for 8/9 December 2022, the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, (Central Valley Water Board) will consider adoption of a Rescission of Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) for the closed Foresthill Landfill (Facility) in Placer County. Placer County (Discharger) owns and operates the Facility.

Written comments were required by public notice to be received by the Central Valley Water Board by 28 October 2022 to receive full consideration. Prior to the deadline, the Central Valley Water Board received written comments from Placer County regarding the tentative WDRs circulated on 28 September 2022. The Central Valley Water Board did not receive any other comments.

In addition to addressing substantive comments described below, Central Valley Water Board staff made minor changes to the tentative Order to improve clarity and fix typographical errors.

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#### **DISCHARGER COMMENT #1**

Item 3 in the Findings, Introduction Section states "On 29 April 2005 the Central Valley Water Board adopted Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) Order No. R5-2005-0069 for Post-Closure Maintenance and Monitoring of the Facility." That statement may infer that the initial WDR was issued in 2005, which is incorrect. It is recommended that Item 3 read as follows: "On February 25, 1994, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board (CRWQCB) adopted Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 94-053 for the closure of the Foresthill Landfill. On April 29, 2005, the CRWQCB adopted Revised Waste Discharge Requirements for the Foresthill Landfill."

#### **RESPONSE, COMMENT #1**

Staff recognize the concern but believe the opportunity for confusion is limited. Notwithstanding, staff added language to Finding No. 3 to include a reference to the previous WDRs, Order No. 94-053.

#### **DISCHARGER COMMENT #2**

The Discharger requested 180 days to complete task 2.c – Perform well decommissioning in accordance with State standards.

**RESPONSE, COMMENT #2**

Staff made changes to the Tentative Order to implement the County's reasonable request.

**DISCHARGER COMMENT #3**

The Discharger noted in the first paragraph of the Information Sheet the "Discharger" is misidentified as "Placer County Department of Facility Services."

**RESPONSE, COMMENT #3**

Staff made changes to the Tentative Order to identify "Placer County" as the Discharger in the subject paragraph in the Information Sheet.