

# CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION

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## ORDER R7-2020-0027

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### Order Information

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| <b>Dischargers:</b>   | Shop Free, Inc., JAJD, Inc. | City of Imperial             |
| <b>Facility:</b>      | Alamo Laundromat            | Standby Basins               |
| <b>Address:</b>       | 6343 Adobe Road, 29 Palms   | 701 E. 14th Street, Imperial |
| <b>County:</b>        | San Bernardino County       | Imperial County              |
| <b>WDID:</b>          | 7A361272001                 | 7A130106002                  |
| <b>GeoTracker ID:</b> | WDR100035786                | WDR100031478                 |
| <b>Prior Order:</b>   | R7-2008-0033                | R7-2014-0038                 |

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I, PAULA RASMUSSEN, Executive Officer, hereby certify that the following is a full, true, and correct copy of the order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region, on October 8, 2020.

*Original Signed by*

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PAULA RASMUSSEN  
Executive Officer

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
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RECISSION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS ORDERS R7-2008-0033  
AND R7-2014-0038

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region (Regional Water Board), hereby makes the following Findings:

1. Order R7-2008-0033 regulates discharges from Shop-Free, Inc., owner, and JAJD, Inc., operator, of Alamo Laundromat located at 6343 Adobe Road, Twentynine Palms, California, 92277.
  - a. The Alamo Laundromat discharged a maximum of 24,000 gallons per day (gpd) of laundromat wastewater from 40 washing machines. Daily discharges averaged around 8,000 gpd. Wastewater was treated using a clarifier and rock filter prior to disposal to ten (10) seepage pits.
  - b. In a letter dated June 13, 2020, the Discharger requested that Order R7-2008-0033 be terminated, stating that laundromat is no longer in operation.
  - c. Because the facility is no longer in operation, it is therefore appropriate to rescind Order R7-2008-0033.
2. Order R7-2014-0038 regulates discharges of domestic wastewater to the City of Imperial, owner/operator, Wastewater Emergency Standby Basins located at 701 E. 14th Street, Imperial, California 92251.
  - a. The Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) regulate the intermittent use of the standby basins to divert untreated and partially treated wastewater during emergencies and/or routine maintenance of the treatment units at the City of Imperial Water Pollution Control Plant (Order R7-2015-0030; NPDES No. CA0104400). The standby basins cover approximately 12 acres of land.
  - b. During an emergency and/or routine maintenance, a maximum of 700,000 gallons-per-day of wastewater could be discharged into the earthen basins for temporary storage until the wastewater can be pumped back to the publicly-owned treatment works for final treatment and disposal.
  - c. In a letter dated February 15, 2018, the Discharger requested that Order R7-2014-0038 be terminated, stating that the City of Imperial has no record of flow entering or exiting the basins after 2002. In addition, there are no known functional valves or piping to send water to or from the basins.

- d. Because the facility is no longer in operation, it is therefore appropriate to rescind Order R7-2014-0038.
3. The Regional Water Board, in a public meeting, heard and considered all comments pertaining to the proposed rescission of the below listed Orders.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED**, the following Orders, containing Waste Discharge Requirements, be rescinded:

| <b><u>Order</u></b> | <b><u>Name</u></b>   | <b><u>Date Adopted</u></b> |
|---------------------|--|----------------------------|
| R7-2008-0033        | Alamo Laundromat<br>Laundromat Wastewater Disposal Facility<br>6343 Adobe Road<br>Twentynine Palms, California 92277 | May 21, 2008               |
| R7-2014-0038        | City of Imperial<br>Wastewater Emergency Standby Basins<br>701 E. 14th Street<br>Imperial, California 92251          | May 8, 2014                |