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Mary Westmoreland – Permit Administrator
Tahoe National Forest
10811 Stockrest Springs Road
Truckee, CA 96161

TRANSMITTAL OF CITATION NO. 01-02-15C-016

Dear Ms. Westmoreland,

The State Water Resources Control Board (Water Board), Division of Drinking Water, has issued the Tahoe National Forest – Logger and Stampede Recreation Center a citation, which is attached.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call Stephen Rooklidge at (530) 224-2413 or me at (530) 224-4800.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Michael J. McNamara".

Michael J. McNamara, P.E.
Lassen District Engineer
Drinking Water Field Operations Branch

cc: Elizabeth Morgan, Sierra County Environmental Health Department

Enclosure: Citation No. 01-02-15C-016

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2 WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
3 DIVISION OF DRINKING WATER
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5 **TO:** TNF – Logger & Stampede RC
6 Tahoe National Forest - Truckee Ranger District
7 10811 Stockrest Springs Road
8 Truckee, CA 96161
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10 **ATTN:** Mary Westmoreland – Permit Administrator
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12 **CITATION FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS,**
13 **TITLE 22, SECTION 64426.1(b) AND 64424 - WATER SYSTEM NO. 4600068**

14 **C I T A T I O N N O. 01-02-15C-016**

15 **Issued on September 25, 2015**
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17 Section 116650 of the California Health and Safety Code authorizes the issuance of
18 a citation to a public water system for violation of the California Safe Drinking Water
19 Act (Health and Safety Code, Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 4, commencing with
20 Section 116270) (hereinafter "California SDWA"), or any regulation, standard, permit
21 or order issued or adopted thereunder.
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23 The State Water Resources Control Board (hereinafter "Board"), acting by and
24 through its Division of Drinking Water (hereinafter "Division") and the Deputy Director
25 for the Division (hereinafter "Deputy Director"), hereby issues a citation to the Tahoe
26 National Forest Logger and Stampede Recreation Center (hereinafter, Center)
27 (Stampede Dam Rd. and Dog Valley Rd., Truckee, CA 95734) for violation of

1 California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 22, Section 64426.1(b), 64424 (a)1, and
2 141.402(a)(2).

3 **APPLICABLE AUTHORITIES**

4 **Section 116650 of California Health and Safety Code provides:**

5 (a) If the department determines that a public water system is in violation
6 of this chapter or any regulation, permit, standard, citation, or order issued or adopted
7 thereunder, the department may issue a citation to the public water system. The
8 citation shall be served upon the public water system personally or by certified mail.
9 Service shall be deemed effective as of the date of personal service or the date of
10 receipt of the certified mail. If a person to whom a citation is directed refuses to accept
11 delivery of the certified mail, the date of service shall be deemed to be the date of
12 mailing.

13 (b) Each citation shall be in writing and shall describe the nature of the
14 violation or violations, including a reference to the statutory provision, standard, order,
15 citation, permit, or regulation alleged to have been violated.

16 (c) A citation may specify a date for elimination or correction of the
17 condition constituting the violation.

18 (d) A citation may include the assessment of a penalty as specified in
19 subdivision (e).

20 (e) The department may assess a penalty in an amount not to exceed
21 one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per day for each day that a violation occurred, and for
22 each day that a violation continues to occur. A separate penalty may be assessed for
23 each violation.

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25 **California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Section 64426.1, subsection (b)**
26 **provides, in relevant part:**

27 (b) A public water system is in violation of the total coliform MCL

1 [maximum contaminant level] when any of the following occurs:

2 (1) For a public water system which collects at least 40
3 samples per month, more than 5.0 percent of the samples collected
4 during any month are total coliform-positive; or

5 (2) For a public water system which collects fewer than 40
6 samples per month, more than one sample collected during any month is
7 total coliform-positive; or

8 (3) Any repeat sample is fecal coliform-positive or E. coli-
9 positive; or

10 (4) Any repeat sample following a fecal coliform-positive or E.
11 coli-positive routine sample is total coliform-positive.

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13 **California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Section 64424 provides, in relevant**
14 **part:**

15 (a) If a routine sample is total coliform-positive, the water supplier shall
16 collect a repeat sample set as described in paragraph (a)(1) within 24 hours of being
17 notified of the positive result. The repeat samples shall all be collected within the
18 same 24 hour time period.

19 (1) For a water supplier that normally collects one or fewer samples
20 per month, a repeat sample set shall be at least four samples for each
21 total coliform-positive sample.

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23 **40 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 141.402, which is incorporated by**
24 **reference in California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Section 64430 provides, in**
25 **relevant part:**

26 (2) *Sampling requirements.* A ground water system must collect, within 24 hours of
27 notification of the total coliform-positive sample, at least one ground water source

1 sample from each ground water source in use at the time the total coliform-positive
2 sample was collected under 22 California Code of Regulations sections 64422 and
3 64423, except as provided in paragraph (a)(2)(ii) of this section.

4 5 **STATEMENT OF FACTS**

6 The Tahoe National Forest Logger and Stampede Recreation Center is located off
7 Stampede Dam Road, approximately 15 miles northeast of Truckee, CA. It is open
8 for public use during the months between May and November each year. The
9 domestic water system is classified as a transient non-community water system. As
10 such, the Center is required to collect one routine bacteriological sample during each
11 month the Center is open to the public. The Center is supplied water by a single
12 ground water source known as Well 01.

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14 On August 8, 2015, a routine bacteriological sample was collected from the Center's
15 distribution system, which was found to contain total coliform bacteria. Two of the five
16 repeat bacteriological samples collected on August 12, 2015, were also found to
17 contain total coliform bacteria, and no well sample was collected in the set of repeat
18 samples. The distribution system was then flushed and two additional repeat samples
19 were collected on August 13, 2015. All of these samples were absent of total coliform
20 bacteria. No cause for the contamination was found.

21 22 **DETERMINATIONS**

23 Based on the above Statement of Facts, the Division has determined that the Center
24 violated Section 64426.1(b)(2), Title 22, of the CCR, in that the Center exceeded the
25 total coliform MCL during the month of August 2015.

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27 Based on the above Statement of Facts, the Division has determined that the Center



1 violated Section 64424, Title 22, of the CCR, in that the Center did not collect all
2 repeat samples within 24 hours of being notified of the positive result.

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4 Based on the above Statement of Facts, the Division has determined that the Center
5 violated Section 64430, Title 22, of the CCR, in that the Center did not collect a
6 sample from the ground water source within 24 hours of being notified of the positive
7 result.

8 9 DIRECTIVES

10 The Center is hereby directed to take the following actions:

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- 12 1. Comply with Section 64426.1, 64424, and 64430, Title 22, of the CCR in all
13 future monitoring periods.
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15 2. By October 25, 2015, the Center shall notify persons served of the MCL
16 violation as required by Section 64463.4 and Section 64465, Title 22, of the
17 CCR. Notification shall be completed in accordance with each of the following:
 - 18 a. Posting of the notice contained in Attachment A in conspicuous
19 locations throughout the Center for at least seven days. The Center
20 must also give a legible, written description (preferably typed) of the
21 corrective actions taken by the water system to address the violation
22 under the section entitled "What Happened? What Was Done?". The
23 Center must use the space provided on Attachment A for this written
24 description.
 - 25 b. Provide the notice contained in Attachment A to visitors using one or
26 more of the following methods to reach persons not likely to be
27 reached by a public posting:

- 1 i. Publication in a local newspaper,
- 2 ii. Posting on the Internet.

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4 3. Complete and return Attachment B, entitled "Compliance Certification" form no
5 later than November 1, 2015. A copy of the notices used to provide the public
6 notification shall be attached to the form.

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8 All documents required by this Citation to be submitted to the Department shall be
9 submitted to the following address:

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Lassen District Engineer
State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Drinking Water
364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 101
Redding, CA 96002

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18 As used in this Citation, the date of issuance shall be the date of this Citation; and the
19 date of service shall be the date of service of this Citation, personal or by certified
20 mail, on the Water System.

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22 Nothing in this Citation relieves the Center of its obligation to meet the requirements
23 of Health and Safety Code, Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 4 (California Safe Drinking
24 Water Act), or any regulation, permit, standard or order issued or adopted thereunder.

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26 The Division reserves the right to make such modifications to this Citation, as it may
27 deem necessary to protect public health and safety. Such modifications may be
28 issued as amendments to this Citation and shall be effective upon issuance.

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PARTIES BOUND

This Citation shall apply to and be binding upon the Center, its officers, directors, shareholders, agents, employees, contractors, successors, and assignees.

SEVERABILITY

The Directives of this Citation are severable, and the Center shall comply with each and every provision thereof, notwithstanding the effectiveness of any other provision.

FURTHER ENFORCEMENT ACTION

The California SDWA authorizes the Board to: issue citation with assessment of administrative penalties to a public water system for violation or continued violation of the requirements of the California SDWA or any permit, regulation, or order issued or adopted thereunder including, but not limited to, failure to correct a violation identified in a citation or compliance order. The California SDWA also authorizes the Board to take action to suspend or revoke a permit that has been issued to a public water system if the system has violated applicable law or regulations or has failed to comply with an order of the Board; and to petition the superior court to take various enforcement measures against a public water system that has failed to comply with or violates an order of the Board. The Board does not waive any further enforcement action by issuance of this citation.

9-25-2015
Date

Michael J. McNamara

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Lassen District Engineer
Division of Drinking Water
State Water Resources Control Board



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2 Attachments:

3 'A' Public Notification

4 'B' Compliance Certification

5 CERTIFIED MAIL 7012 3460 0003 1113 1946

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable.
Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

Tests Showed Coliform Bacteria in the Logger and Stampede Recreation Center Domestic Water System

Our water system violated a drinking water standard. Although this incident was not an emergency, as our water users, you have a right to know what happened and what we did to correct the situation.

We routinely monitor for drinking water contaminants in the water system. During August 2015, we collected one routine and seven repeat samples from our water system to test for the presence of coliform bacteria. The routine and two of the repeat samples showed the presence of coliform bacteria. The standard is that no more than one sample per month may show the presence of coliform bacteria.

What Should You Do?

You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

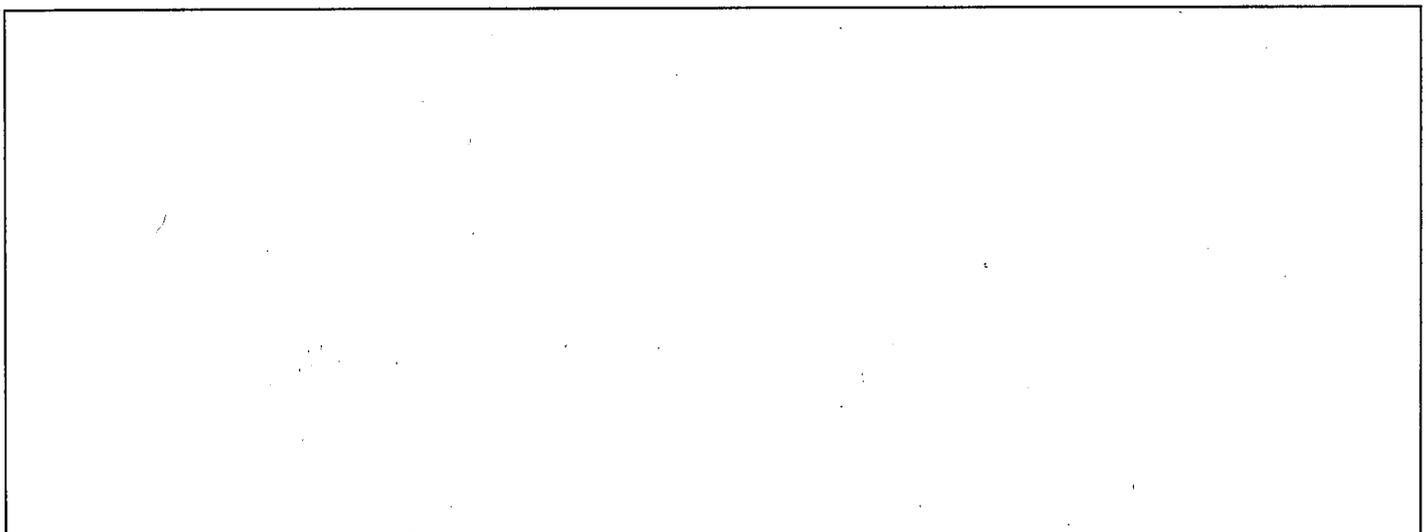
People with severely compromised immune systems, infants, and some elderly may be at increased risk. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1 (800) 426-4791.

What Does This Mean?

This is not an emergency. If it were, you would have been notified immediately. Coliform bacteria are generally not harmful themselves. *Coliforms are bacteria which are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially-harmful, bacteria may be present. Coliforms were found in more samples than allowed and this was a warning of potential problems.*

Usually, coliform bacteria are a signal that there may be a problem with our source of supply, storage, or distribution systems. Whenever we detect coliform bacteria in any sample, we do follow-up testing to see if other bacteria of greater concern, such as fecal coliform or E. coli, are present. We did not find any of these bacteria in our subsequent testing, and further testing shows that this problem has been resolved.

What Happened? What Was Done?



For more information please contact Tahoe National Forest at (530) xxx-xxxx.

COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION

Citation Number: **01-02-15C-016**

Name of Water System: **TNF – Logger and Stampede RC**

System Number: **4600068**

As required by Section 116450 of the California Health and Safety Code, I certify that the users of the water supplied by this water system were notified of the violations of Title 22, California Code of Regulations (CCR) for the compliance period of August 2015. In addition, I certify that the TNF – Logger and Stampede RC water system complied with the directives of this citation as indicated below:

<u>Required Action</u>	<u>Date Completed</u>
Public Notification, as required by Directive 2(a)	_____
Public Notification, as required by Directive 2(b)	_____
_____	_____
Signature of Water System Representative	Date

Attach a copy of the notice posted within the water system, a copy of the notice published in the newspaper or posted on the internet.

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE DEPARTMENT NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 1, 2015.

Disclosure: Be advised that Section 116725 and 116730 of the California Health and Safety Code states that any person who knowingly makes any false statement on any report or document submitted for the purpose of compliance with the attached order may be liable for a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for each separate violation for each day that violation continues. In addition, the violators may be prosecuted in criminal court and upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$25,000 for each day of violation, or be imprisoned in county jail not to exceed one year, or by both the fine and imprisonment.