
Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board

May 02, 2024

TO: ATTACHED MAILING LIST as bcc

Rescission of Waste Discharge Requirements, Board Order No. 6-85-32 For Crowley Lake Fish Camp, Mono County

Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board (Water Board) staff are proposing to rescind waste discharge requirements for Crowley Lake Fish Camp (Board Order No.6-85-32). If you are interested in reviewing and providing written comments regarding the tentative rescission of waste discharge requirements for Crowley Lake Fish Camp (Board Order No. 6-85-32), please complete the following steps:

- Include the subject line “Crowley Lake Fish Camp Rescission WDID No. 6B260104001 Comments”
- Address to the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region, attention of Sergio Alonso
- Send comments by **June 24, 2024**
- Send via email to Lahontan@waterboards.ca.gov or mail to 15095 Amargosa Rd., Bldg. 2 - Suite 210, Victorville, CA 92394

In addition to or instead of written comments, you can provide verbal comments during the scheduled Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board meeting. This item is tentatively scheduled for consideration during the regular board meeting on August 21 and 22, 2024. You can view the Water Board's meeting agenda 10 days before the meeting on our [web site](#) to ensure the item remains scheduled for that meeting. If you need further information regarding this meeting, please contact our office at (760) 241-6583.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or the enclosed documents, please contact Sergio Alonso, Water Resource Control Engineer at (760) 243-7324 or sergio.alonso@waterboards.ca.gov, or Reginald Tan, Senior Water Resource Control Engineer at (760) 241-2434 or reginald.tan@waterboards.ca.gov.

Enc: Tentative Rescission of Waste Discharge Requirements, Crowley Lake Fish Camp

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**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
LAHONTAN REGION**

**BOARD ORDER NO. R6V-2024-TENTATIVE
WDID NO. 6B260104001**

**RESCISSION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
BOARD ORDER NO. 6-85-32**

**FOR
CROWLEY LAKE FISH CAMP**

Mono County

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region (Water Board) finds:

1. Facility Description

The Crowley Lake Fish Camp (Facility), formerly Crowley Lake Recreational Area, collects, treats, and disposes an average of 1,750 gallons per day (gpd) of domestic wastewater. The treatment and disposal system are located at the South Landing area of Crowley Lake and consists of a 2,250 gallon septic tank that discharges to an adjacent leach field. Sludge from the septic tank is disposed of offsite.

2. Discharger

For this Board Order Rescission, Crowley Lake Fish Camp is referred to as the Facility and the City of Los Angeles, Department of Water and Power (LADWP), the landowner, as the “Discharger.”

3. Permit History

On May 24, 1973, the Water Board adopted Board Order No. 6-73-36, establishing waste discharge requirements (WDRs) for the septic tank and leach field system. The Water Board adopted Board Order No. 6-85-32 on April 11, 1985 updating the WDRs.

4. Reason for Action

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) adopted the Water Quality Control Policy for Siting, Design, Operation, and Maintenance of Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems (OWTS Policy) on June 19, 2012 under Resolution No. 2012-0032. The OWTS Policy was approved by the Office of Administrative Law on November 13, 2012, and became effective six months later on May 13, 2013, consistent with OWTS Policy section 13.0. The OWTS Policy authorizes

subsurface disposal of domestic strength wastewater, and in limited instances high strength wastewater, and establishes minimum requirements for the permitting, monitoring, and operation of OWTS to protect beneficial uses of waters of the state and to prevent or correct conditions of pollution or nuisance. The State Water Board adopted a conditional waiver of waste discharge requirements as part of the OWTS Policy in accordance with Water Code section 13269, to implement the framework of state and local agency coordination in regulating OWTS. The conditional waiver waives requirements to submit a report of waste discharge, obtain waste discharge requirements, and pay fees for discharges from OWTS in compliance with all applicable OWTS Policy conditions. Section 6.3 of the OWTS Policy indicates that existing OWTS currently under waste discharge requirements or individual waiver of waste discharge requirements will remain under those orders until notified in writing by the appropriate Regional Water Board that they are covered under the OWTS Policy.

The Facility has been regulated by WDRs since 1973. On December 18, 2023, the Discharger submitted a written letter requesting a rescission of the WDRs while maintaining Mono County oversight. On March 19, 2024, Mono County provided written confirmation to the Water Board of continued oversight of the Facility under a county-issued sewage disposal System Permit. The Facility is covered under the OWTS Policy and shall comply with the conditions of the conditional waiver, therefore the WDR rescission is justified.

5. California Environmental Quality Act

Rescission of the WDRs is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code section 21000, et seq.) in accordance with the California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15321 (a)(2), Enforcement Actions by Regulatory Agencies.

6. Notification of Interested Parties

The Water Board has notified the Discharger and interested parties and agencies of its intent to rescind Board Order No. 6-85-32. No comments were received during the public review period for the rescission order.

7. Public Meeting

The Water Board, in a public meeting, heard and considered all comments pertaining to the rescission of Board Order No. 6-85-32.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT pursuant to the Water Code, sections 13260 and 13263, Board Order No. 6-85-32 is hereby rescinded except for enforcement purposes.

I, Michael R. Plaziak, Executive Officer, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region, on August 21, 2024.

MICHAEL R. PLAZIAK
EXECUTIVE OFFICER