

North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board
5550 Skylane Boulevard, Suite A
Santa Rosa, CA 95403
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Public Notice No.
CA0023078

Notice of Public Hearing

For

Modification of Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R1-2004-0009

For

Fort Bragg Municipal Improvement District No.1
Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF)
NPDES Permit No. CA0023078, WDID No. 1B84083OMEN

Mendocino County

On the basis of preliminary staff review and application of lawful standards and regulations, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, North Coast Region, proposes to modify Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R1-2004-0009 for the Fort Bragg Municipal Improvement District No.1 Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF). The requirements also serve as a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for a period of five years.

Public Hearing Procedures

A public meeting to consider comments and objections to the proposed permit modifications is scheduled for October 12, 2005, in Santa Rosa at 9:00 a.m. or as announced in the Regional Water Board's agenda to be mailed on September 15, 2005. The meeting will be held in the North Coast Regional Water Board Hearing Room, located at 5550 Skylane Boulevard, Suite A in Santa Rosa. At the hearing, the Regional Water Board will consider whether to affirm, reject, or modify the proposed permit modification, or take other action.

The Discharger and interested persons should submit to the Regional Water Board office at 5550 Skylane Boulevard, Suite A, Santa Rosa, California, 95403, written copies of all technical reports, testimony, and other evidentiary material concerning this issue by 5:00 p.m. on September 12, 2005. This written material will be submitted to the Regional Water Board members and all interested persons along with the full agenda materials.

Written material received after the above date will not be accepted, except at the discretion of the Regional Water Board Chair. Untimely written material will not be accepted or incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice the Discharger or the Regional Water Board staff. The Chair may choose to modify this rule upon a showing of severe hardship (California Code of Regulations, Title 23, Sections 648.1 and 648.4).

All those who plan to testify at the hearing must submit written statements to the Regional Water Quality Control Board by September 23, 2005. The statements should provide the name of the witness, their qualifications (if an expert), and the scope of their intended testimony. Testimony at the above-scheduled hearing may summarize or explain timely submitted or late accepted written evidence, but shall not add new evidence. The time constraints for oral testimony or comments will be set by Regional Water Board Chair and usually will allow no more than 10 minutes for Regional Water Board staff and the Discharger and three minutes for other interested persons. A timer may be used and speakers are expected to honor the time limits. Where speakers can be grouped by affiliation or interest, such groups will be expected to select a spokesperson and not be repetitive.

Document Review

The tentative Order, related documents and comments received are on file and may be inspected or copied at the Regional Water Board office, 5550 Skylane Boulevard, Suite A, Santa Rosa, California. Appointments are recommended for document review. Appointments can be made by calling (707) 576-2220.

Catherine E. Kuhlman
Executive Officer

August 12, 2005