

California Regional Water Quality Control Board  
North Coast Region

Notice of Public Hearing and Issuance of an Order  
Administrative Civil Liability Order No. R1-2008-0018

For

Violation of Waste Discharge Requirements  
Order No. 94-60, Order No. R1-2000-71, Order No. R1-2006-0001 and  
SWRCB Order No. 2006-03-DWQ

In the Matter of  
City of Crescent City  
Wastewater Treatment Facility  
WDID No. 1A84006ODN

Del Norte County

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, North Coast Region (Regional Water Board), Executive Officer issued Administrative Civil Liability Complaint No. R1-2007-0061 to the City of Crescent City (Discharger) on July 25, 2007. The Complaint assessed administrative civil liabilities in the amount of \$125,000 for the period beginning January 1, 2000, and ending May 31, 2007. The complaint includes mandatory minimum penalties in the amount of \$69,000 and a discretionary liability of \$56,000.

The Discharger paid \$30,500 to the State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account on August 31, 2007 and has proposed to settle the remaining \$94,500 by completing an influent pump upgrade project and a disinfection compliance project. The influent pump upgrade project will increase the reliability and pumping capacity of the influent pumps to the wastewater treatment facility (WWTF) with the goal of reducing the severity of and number of sanitary sewer backups and overflows. The compliance project will upgrade the disinfection process at the WWTF from chlorine disinfection to ultraviolet light disinfection.

***Public Hearing Procedures***

The Regional Water Board will hold a public hearing on this matter on April 24, 2008 at 9:00 a.m., or as announced in the Regional Water Board's summary agenda to be mailed on or about April 3, 2008. The meeting is scheduled to be held in The Sons of Italy Weed Lodge No. 1269, 155 Clay Street, Weed, CA. At the hearing, the Regional Water Board will consider whether to affirm, reject, or modify the proposed Civil Liability, or take other enforcement action.

By 5:00 p.m. on March 17, 2008, the Discharger and interested persons must 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 that they would like the Regional Water Board to consider on this issue. This written material will be made available to the Regional Water Board members and all interested persons.

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 Board by 5:00 p.m. on March 17, 2008. 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 ten minutes each for Regional Water Board staff and the Discharger and three minutes each 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 proposed Order is available for review on the Regional Water Board web site at <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast/>. That document, as well as the other evidentiary documents and the public file, may be inspected or copied at the Regional Water Board office on Mondays through Fridays, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Appointments are recommended for file review. Appointments may be made by calling (707) 576-2220. For further information, please contact Regional Water Board staff member Kason Grady at (707) 576-2682 or at [kgrady@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:kgrady@waterboards.ca.gov).

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Interim Executive Officer

February 1, 2008