

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION  
1685 E Street, Fresno, California 93706

**PUBLIC HEARING**  
concerning

for

**WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS  
FOR TULARE COUNTY  
FOR  
POSTCLOSURE MAINTENANCE AND CORRECTIVE ACTION  
EXETER MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE LANDFILL  
TULARE COUNTY**

The County of Tulare owns and maintains a closed 42-acre Class III waste management facility (facility), which contains one unlined waste management unit (Unit) covering approximately 34 acres. The facility is about 3.3 miles south of Exeter at the intersection of Road 188 and Avenue 242. The facility is currently regulated by Waste Discharge Requirements Order R5-2003-0114.

The Unit received a variety of nonhazardous solid waste, including lesser amounts of municipal solid waste and inert solid waste from 1952 until 1987 when discharge ceased. The County of Tulare closed the Unit in 2007.

The Unit has released volatile organic compounds to groundwater. The County of Tulare has completed an evaluation monitoring program and has implemented corrective action.

The waste discharge requirements are being revised for postclosure maintenance of the Unit and corrective action.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) meeting, which is scheduled for:

DATE: 26-28 May 2010  
TIME: 8:00 a.m.  
PLACE: Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region  
11020 Sun Center Drive #200  
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670-6114

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

- County of Tulare

Designated parties, but not interested persons, will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. Central Valley Water Board staff will prepare

the administrative record, and may present evidence, make an oral presentation and cross-examine opposing witnesses.

Interested persons may not cross examine witnesses, and will not be subject to cross examination. Interested persons may submit evidence (e.g., photographs, eye-witness testimony, monitoring data) if the evidence is submitted in accordance with the deadlines for submitting evidence described below. Interested persons who present evidence may be subject to cross-examination. Interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **15 April 2010**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is affected by the discharge.

The tentative Waste Discharge Requirements, dated 11 March 2010, were issued on 11 March 2010. Persons wishing to comment on this item must submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than by noon on **15 April 2010**. Written materials submitted after noon on the above date will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record absent a ruling by the Central Valley Water Board Chair. A party requesting to submit late materials must demonstrate good cause for the late submission, and the Central Valley Water Board Chair must find that the late submission would not prejudice the Central Valley Water Board or any designated party.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Central Valley Water Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Central Valley Water Board Chair. Both designated parties and interested persons may be asked to respond to clarifying questions from Central Valley Water Board members, counsel staff or others, at the discretion of the Central Valley Water Board.

Anyone having questions on tentative waste discharge requirements should contact Scott Moore at (559) 445-5170. Interested parties may download the proposed Order and related documents from the Central Valley Water Board's Internet website at [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\\_decisions/tentative\\_orders/](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/). Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the office of the Central Valley Water Board at 1685 E Street, Fresno, California, 93706, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. by appointment.

The final meeting agenda will be available at [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board\\_info/agendas/](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/agendas/) at least ten days before the meeting. The agenda will provide the dates the Central Valley Water Board meeting will be held, indicate the anticipated order of agenda items, and may include staff revisions to the proposed order(s).

The procedures governing Central Valley Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Central Valley Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\\_laws/](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_laws/). Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Board's website at [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\\_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml) or by contacting any one of the Central Valley Water Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

*Original signed by:*

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CLAY RODGERS, Assistant Executive Officer

11 March 2010