

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
2/3 February 2012 Board Meeting

Response to Comments
for the
Placer County Department of Facility Services
Placer County Sewer Maintenance District 3 Wastewater Treatment Plant
Tentative Cease and Desist Order

The following are Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (Central Valley Water Board) staff responses to comments submitted by interested parties regarding the tentative Cease and Desist Order (CDO) for the Placer County Department of Facility Services (hereinafter Discharger), Placer County Sewer Maintenance District 3 Wastewater Treatment Plant (hereinafter Facility). Public comments regarding the proposed NPDES Permit were required to be submitted to the Central Valley Water Board by 14 December 2011 in order to receive full consideration.

The Central Valley Water Board received comments regarding the proposed CDO by the due date from the Discharger; The submitted comments were accepted into the record, and are summarized below, followed by Central Valley Water Board staff responses.

**PLACER COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF FACILITY SERVICES (DISCHARGER)
COMMENTS**

Discharger Comment No. 1. Average Dry Weather Flow

The Discharger requested that in Finding 1, Paragraph 2, the first part of the first sentence be replaced with the following:

“The Facility discharges up to 0.3 mgd (million gallons per day) of treated wastewater to Miners Ravine under average dry weather flow conditions...”

RESPONSE: Central Valley Water Board staff concurs and the change has been made.

Discharger Comment No. 2. Regionalization Financing Plan

The Discharger requested that the deadline for submitting a Regionalization Financing Plan approval by the Placer County Board of Supervisors be changed from 30 April 2012 to 30 September 2012 to coincide with completing the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) process. The Discharger states that a preliminary financing plan has already been presented to their Board of Supervisors; however, to comply with CEQA guidelines, a formal approval cannot occur until completion of the CEQA process.

RESPONSE: Central Valley Water Board staff concurs and the change has been made.

Discharger Comment No. 3. Interim Limits

The Discharger requested that the following changes, shown in underline/strikeout format, be made to the Interim Effluent Limitations:

Parameter	Units	Interim Effluent Limitations				
		Average Monthly	Average Weekly	Maximum Daily ³	Instantaneous Minimum	Instantaneous Maximum
Aluminum (Total)	µg/L	95 <u>116</u> ²	--	547	--	--
	lbs/day ¹	0.3	--	1.4	--	--
Copper (Total)	µg/L	67 ²	--	23.0	--	--
	lbs/day ¹	0.02	--	0.058	--	--
Dibromochloromethane	µg/L	4 ²	--	6.5	--	--
	lbs/day ¹	0.01	--	0.016	--	--
Dichlorobromomethane	µg/L	203 ²	--	59.0	--	--
	lbs/day ¹	0.056	--	0.15	--	--

1 Based upon an average dry weather flow of 0.3 mgd.

2 Based on ~~2.0 x Standard Deviation + Mean~~ the monthly average maximum effluent concentration in recent permit period

3 From WDR Order R5-2007-0070

RESPONSE: Central Valley Water Board staff concurs and the correction has been made.