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REQUEST TO REMOVE ANALYTES FROM MANAGEMENT PLAN MONITORING – SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY AND DELTA WATER QUALITY COALITION

Thank you for submitting the 9 June 2014 request to remove thirteen constituents from select San Joaquin County and Delta Water Quality Coalition (Coalition) site subwatershed management plans. The 9 June request incorporates six of the seven site/constituent pairs that were pending staff review per a letter issued by the Executive Officer on 15 March 2013. Those seven pending site/constituent pairs are addressed herein.

The Coalition has implemented management plans according to requirements in the Waste Discharge Requirements General Order R5-2014-0029 (Order). The Coalition's approved 2008 Management Plan continues to be implemented as a part of the Order for Growers within the San Joaquin County and Delta Area that are Members of a Third-party Group. The conditions for requesting completion of a Management Plan outlined in the Order apply.

The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board staff (staff) reviewed the Coalition's request for management plan completion (see enclosure). Staff compiled information and summarized data used to address the criteria outlined in the Order (Attachment B, Appendix MRP-1, Section III, pages 8 and 9) and to consider if the completion of management plans is justified.

Based on the information provided in the request letter and in the enclosed staff review, I approve the completion of management plans for the following five site/constituent pairs:

- Grant Line Canal at Clifton Court Rd. (chlorpyrifos)
- Kellogg Creek along Hoffman Ln. (*Selenastrum capricornutum*)
- Mormon Slough (*Selenastrum capricornutum*)
- Sand Creek at Hwy. 4 Bypass (disulfoton and *Selenastrum capricornutum*)

Implementation of management plans must continue for Mormon Slough (*Ceriodaphnia dubia*) and Lone Tree Creek at Jack Tone Rd. (chlorpyrifos) because additional monitoring is required or the monitoring data do not support completion of the management plan.

The remaining seven site/constituent pairs from the 9 June request are considered pending and will be addressed by staff in a subsequent memorandum. These include:

- Kellogg Creek along Hoffman Ln. (specific conductivity)
- Roberts Island at Whisky Slough Pump (pH, chlorpyrifos, diuron, and *Ceriodaphnia dubia*)
- Terminous Tract Drain at Hwy. 112 (chlorpyrifos)
- Unnamed Drain to Lone Tree Creek at Jack Tone Rd. (specific conductivity)

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Attachment – staff review memorandum

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## Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

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**SUBJECT:** REQUEST TO REMOVE PENDING ANALYTES FROM MANAGEMENT PLAN  
MONITORING – SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY AND DELTA WATER QUALITY  
COALITION

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, (Central Valley Water Board) received a request from the San Joaquin County and Delta Water Quality Coalition (Coalition) on 13 November 2012 to consider the Management Plans for certain analytes complete. On 15 March 2013, the Executive Officer approved 20 of the 27 Management Plans as complete while the remaining seven Management Plans were considered pending. Since then, the Coalition submitted an additional request on 9 June 2014 that included six site/constituent pairs repeated from the original November request. Until now, the November pending site/constituent pairs were not evaluated. This memorandum only discusses the seven pending Management Plans from the November request. Staff will evaluate the 2014 request, minus the repeated site/constituent pairs, in a subsequent memorandum.

After the March 2013 approval, the Central Valley Water Board adopted Waste Discharge Requirements for growers within the San Joaquin County and Delta Area (R5-2014-0029) on 12 March 2014. The Coalition's pending site/constituent pairs are now subject to the new requirements found in the 2014 Order. At least three years of compliance with receiving water limitations during the times of year when previous exceedances occurred and consideration of peak use must be demonstrated before a management plan can be petitioned for completion. Five of the seven Management Plans meet this condition. Staff prepared this review based on information found in the 2013 and 2014 Management Plan Update Reports and the Coalition's 2012 management plan completion request, and to a limited extent the 2014 request.

Staff developed the attached tables and narrative discussing the necessary information required for staff to determine if the Management Plan is complete. A tabulated listing of each site/constituent pair is provided. In addition, a chart providing the sampling and exceedance history is provided.

Considerations unique to each site/constituent pair were taken into account, and this review of the management plan completion request provides a transition to requirements of the new







