

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION  
11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**CONCERNING**

**APPROVAL OF A REMEDIATION PLAN UNDER WATER CODE §13398.7  
CORONA AND TWIN PEAKS MINE REMEDIATION PROJECT  
TULEYOME, INC. AND CORONA/TWIN PEAKS HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION, LLC  
NAPA COUNTY**

The Central Valley Water Board will consider adopting a mitigated negative declaration and approving a remediation plan for the Corona and Twin Peaks Mines (the "Mines") in Napa County. The Mines are located about 7 miles northeast of Calistoga, and were mined in the late 1800s to the mid-1900s. Mine wastes from the abandoned mines are contributing to conditions of pollution in Kidd Creek and Bateman Creek, which are tributaries to Pope Creek and Lake Berryessa. Tuleyome, Inc., a California non-profit interested in remediating the Mines, has provided the Central Valley Water Board with a remediation plan that is designed to satisfy the requirements of Chapter 5.7 of Division 7 of the Water Code, which provides liability protection for "good Samaritan" remediation projects. In the Remediation Plan, Tuleyome proposes to: conduct subsurface chemical treatment of the Corona Drain Tunnel discharge (install a pilot scale system) to reduce the metal loading from the Corona Drain Tunnel, consolidate mine waste, improve runoff controls, enhance revegetation of waste rock and tailings at the Boiler House Adit and Twin Peaks Adit, and improve the existing infiltration trenches at the Boiler House Adit and Twin Peaks Adit.

The Central Valley Water Board has developed an initial study and mitigated negative declaration for the project as required by the California Environmental Quality Act (Pub. Resources Code, § 21000 *et seq.*) This project is not contained on the lists compiled pursuant to Government Code section 65962.5. The proposed remediation plan and supporting documents can be reviewed 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 Board's office at 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Water Board meeting which is scheduled for:

DATE: 3/4 October 2013  
TIME: 8:30 AM  
PLACE: Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board  
11020 Sun Center Drive #200  
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670-6114

The Central Valley Water Board is accepting comments on the mitigated negative declaration and the remediation plan from **1 August 2013** through **30 August 2013**. Anyone having questions on the proposed item should contact Victor Izzo at (916)-464-4626.

The procedures governing Central Valley Water Board meetings may be found at California Code of Regulations, title 23, sections 647 *et seq.*, and are available upon request. Hearings before the 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 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. 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.

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**Andrew Altevogt**, Assistant Executive Officer

**29 July 2013**

cc: see attached addressee list