

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
30/31 July 2015 Board Meeting

Response to Written Comments on
Tentative Order R5-2015-XXXX
Amending Time Schedule Order No. R5-2010-0060
South Feather Water and Power Agency
Miners Ranch Water Treatment Plant
Butte County

At a public hearing scheduled for 30/31 July 2015, the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (Central Valley Water Board) will consider adoption of the Tentative Order to amend Time Schedule Order (TSO) No. R5-2010-0060 for the South Feather Water and Power Agency's Miners Ranch Water Treatment Plant in Butte County. This document contains responses to written comments received from interested parties in response to the Tentative Order. Written comments from interested parties were required to be received by the Central Valley Water Board no later than 5:00 p.m. on 1 July 2015 in order to receive full consideration. Timely comments were received from the following:

1. South Feather Water and Power Agency (Discharger) submitted comments via email on 4 June 2015.

Written comments from the above interested parties are summarized below, followed by the response of Central Valley Water Board staff.

DISCHARGER (SOUTH FEATHER WATER AND POWER) COMMENTS

DISCHARGER COMMENT #1

The Discharger questions whether section 16c on page 4 of the proposed amended TSO should reference copper and lead.

RESPONSE:

Central Valley Water Board staff has corrected the amended TSO to appropriately cite aluminum instead of copper and lead in section 16c.

DISCHARGER COMMENT #2

The discharger states that section 18 on page 4 of the proposed amended TSO references WDR Order R5-2010-0059 in regards to copper effluent limitations. The discharger believes WDR Order R5-2010-0059 is for aluminum effluent limitations and copper effluent limitations are contained in WDR Order R5-2010-0060.

RESPONSE:

Central Valley Water Board staff does not concur. WDR Order R5-2010-0059 includes final effluent limitations for aluminum and copper. TSO R5-2010-0060 includes interim, not final, effluent limitations for copper with a time schedule for compliance for the purposes of providing protection from minimum mandatory penalties (MMPs). No changes to the proposed amended TSO are necessary.

DISCHARGER COMMENT #3

The discharger contends that sections 5 and 6 on page 8 of the proposed amended TSO need to be combined.

RESPONSE:

Central Valley Water Board staff agrees. The proposed amended TSO has been corrected to reflect this change.