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From: Russ Holcomb <rholcomb@malagacwd.org>
Sent: Tuesday, October 22, 2013 12:46 PM
To: Ortiz, Aide@Waterboards
Subject: RE: Disposal Capacity Issues

Aide: MCWD was to have already received a letter from FID revising the statement made in their previous letter. A cover letter and Michael Taylors comments will be sent to you tomorrow, Wednesday, 10/12/2013, and the revised letter from FID will be requested and forwarded upon receipt. Thanks, Russ

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From: Ortiz, Aide@Waterboards [mailto:Aide.Ortiz@waterboards.ca.gov]
Sent: Monday, October 21, 2013 12:57 PM
To: Holcomb, Russ (rholcomb@malagacwd.org)
Subject: Disposal Capacity Issues

Good Afternoon Russ,

On 19 August 2013, our office sent the Malaga County Water District a letter inquiring about the status of the wastewater treatment facility's disposal capacity issues. The letter requested certain information to help us in renewing the NPDES permit and possibly assessing compliance with the Cease and Desist Order. A response was due on 3 October 2013. By 10 October, we had not received any communication from the District regarding the letter. Matt Scroggins and I communicated with Charles Garabedian by telephone to ascertain whether the District had received the letter and if it planned on responding. According to Mr. Garabedian, Michael Taylor prepared a memorandum that answered items 2-5 in our letter. We asked Mr. Garabedian that the District send something in writing to our office that addressed all five items in the letter, and if the District wished to attach Mr. Taylor's memorandum that it include a statement indicating it agreed with the items in the memorandum. As of yet, we have not received anything. As it stands now, the information in the case file indicates the District does not have enough disposal capacity and that the Fresno Irrigation District wants the Malaga County Water District to cease discharge to the Canal. It's our understanding this may no longer be the case, but we have not received written confirmation from the Malaga County Water District indicating so.

Generally, when we renew NPDES permits we use all information available to develop new requirements. If the District wishes to update its case file with new information prior to permit renewal, it is imperative that the information requested in our 19 August 2013 letter be submitted as soon as possible given the NPDES permit renewal process is in the preliminary stages.

Please contact me so we may discuss the District's response to our letter, as well as Mr. Taylor's memorandum.

Thank you,
-Aide

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