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## Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

5 April 2023

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***RESPONSE TO COMMENTS, TENTATIVE ORDER R5-2023-XXXX REVISING WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS ORDERS R5-2013-0030/R5-2012-0010-01 HOMESTAKE MINING COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA, MCLAUGHLIN MINE, LAKE, NAPA, AND YOLO COUNTIES***

On 16 February 2023, a copy of the tentative order to revise Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) Orders R5-2013-0030/R5-2012-0010-01 was transmitted to you and posted on our website. Persons wishing to comment on this matter were asked to submit their testimony, evidence, and/or comments in writing no later than 5:00 p.m. on 17 March 2023. We received comments submitted on your behalf by the deadline and made changes to the tentative order where warranted. A Response to Comments document describing our responses and changes to the Tentative Order is enclosed.

The tentative WDR order has been added to the agenda for the 27/28 March 2023 Board Meeting on the uncontested calendar. The [final meeting agenda](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/) ([http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\\_info/meetings/](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/)) will be available at least 10 days before the meeting. The agenda will provide the specific date the Board Meeting will be held for this item and indicate the anticipated order of all agenda items.

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Enclosure: Response to Comments

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