



September 12, 2013

Pamela Creedon, Executive Officer  
Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board  
11020 Sun Center Drive, #200  
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Re: ESJWQC Performance Goal Schedule Completion Date Extensions for Fifth Priority Subwatersheds

Dear Ms. Creedon,

The East San Joaquin Water Quality Coalition (Coalition or ESJWQC) is requesting to update the Performance Goal schedule for 2013-2015 high priority site subwatersheds (fifth priority). These updates include extensions of the following completion dates (Tables 1 and 2):

- 1) Performance Measure 2.1 from September 30, 2013 to November 15, 2013
- 2) Performance Measure 2.2 from October 31, 2013 to December 15, 2013
- 3) Performance Measures 3.1 and 4.1 from April 1 to May 1, 2014 and from April 1 to May 1, 2015

**Table 1. Performance Goal/Measure schedule updates for 2013 - 2015 high priority site subwatersheds (Hatch Drain @ Tuolumne Rd, Highline Canal @ Lombardy Rd, Merced River @ Santa Fe and Miles Creek @ Reilly Rd).**

Performance Measure	Current Completion Date	Request Completion Date	Reason
2.1	September 30, 2013	November 15, 2013	Extension to allow additional time for contacts due to harvest season.
2.2	October 31, 2013	December 15, 2013	Extension to allow additional time for contacts due to harvest season.
3.1 and 4.1	April 1, 2014 and April 1, 2015	May 1, 2014 and May 1, 2015	Update to be consistent with MPUR due date in the WDR.

The current Performance Goal schedule for the fifth priority subwatersheds was approved on June 3, 2013 (the original schedule was approved on November 1, 2012). The June approval extended the time that the Coalition has to receive completed management practice information from growers from July 30, 2013 to September 30, 2013 (Performance Measure 2.1). The initial delay in scheduling interviews and receiving completed surveys was the result of new member enrollment taking up additional Coalition resources. Since June, the Coalition has completed 16 surveys with growers leaving 30 surveys to complete. The Coalition has had difficulty coordinating meeting schedules with members during the harvest season and Coalition staff realizes that meeting individually with 100% of the targeted growers may not be possible before the September 30, 2013 deadline. The Coalition anticipates meeting with 40-50% of the members by September 30, 2013 and 100% by November 15, 2013 (Table 2). The Coalition requests amending the fifth priority Performance Goal schedule for Performance Measure 2.1 from September 30 to November 15, 2013, Performance Measure 2.2 from October 31, 2013 to December 15, 2013 (Table 2). The Coalition will provide a status update on the progress of completing Performance Goal 2 at the next Quarterly Meeting with Regional Board staff.



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The Coalition is requesting to update Performance Measure 3.1 and 4.1 from April 1 to May 1. This update will allow the Performance Goal table to be consistent with the MPUR due date as outlined in the Waste Discharge Requirements General Order R5-2012-0116 (Tables 1 and 2).

If necessary, we can schedule a conference call or meeting to discuss this request at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "PK", is written over a horizontal line.

Parry Klassen  
Board Chairman, East San Joaquin Water Quality Coalition



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**Table 2. Proposed High Priority Performance Goals schedule for 2013 - 2015 high priority site subwatersheds (Hatch Drain @ Tuolumne Rd, Highline Canal @ Lombardy Rd, Merced River @ Santa Fe and Miles Creek @ Reilly Rd).**

Completion dates were updated for Performance Measure 2.1 from September 30, 2013, to November 15, 2013, Performance Measure 2.2. from October 31, 2013 to December 15, 2013 and Performance Measures 3.1 and 4.1 from April 1 to May 1.

PERFORMANCE GOAL/PERFORMANCE MEASURE	OUTPUTS	WHO	HATCH DRAIN @ TUOLUMNE RD	HIGHLINE CANAL @ LOMBARDY RD	MERCED RIVER @ SANTA FE	MILES CREEK @ REILLY RD
<b>Performance Goal 1: Individually contact members on adjacent properties to waterways where discharges have been identified to fill out surveys.</b>						
Performance Measure 1.1 – 100% of identified growers contacted to fill out surveys.	Report ratio of individual initial contacts made versus total growers identified to contact.	Parry Klassen	March 30, 2013	March 30, 2013	March 30, 2013	March 30, 2013
Performance Measure 1.2 – Contact owners/operators in the site subwatershed with direct drainage membership acreage.	Report ratio of acreage represented by individual contacts versus subwatershed acreage determined to have direct drainage.	MLJ-LLC	Quarterly	Quarterly	Quarterly	Quarterly
<b>Performance Goal 2: Establish current practices (beyond established baseline practices) on adjacent properties to waterways or where discharges are identified.</b>						
Performance Measure 2.1 – Document current management practices of 100% of identified growers during individual contacts and encourage the adoption of new practices not currently implemented.	Record in an Access database current management practices used that may reduce agricultural impact on water quality.	Parry Klassen	Nov. 15, 2013	Nov. 15, 2013	Nov. 15, 2013	Nov. 15, 2013
Performance Measure 2.2 – Document management practices that the identified grower were encouraged to implement.	Summary of management practice evaluations on a site subwatershed level in the Management Plan update.	MLJ-LLC	Dec. 15, 2013	Dec. 15, 2013	Dec. 15, 2013	Dec. 15, 2013
<b>Performance Goal 3: Encourage growers to implement additional management practices based on water quality results.</b>						
Performance Measure 3.1 – Document (e.g. assess number/type) new management practices implemented by identified growers.	Record implemented management practices from returned surveys in an Access database.	Parry Klassen/MLJ-LLC	Feb. 28, 2014*	Feb. 28, 2014*	Feb. 28, 2014*	Feb. 28, 2014*
	Summary of management practices implemented as a result of individual contacts.	MLJ-LLC	May 1, 2014 May 1, 2015	May 1, 2014 May 1, 2015	May 1, 2014 May 1, 2015	May 1, 2014 May 1, 2015
<b>Performance Goal 4: Evaluate effectiveness of the new management practices implemented during years that site is high priority.</b>						
Performance Measure 4.1 Update – Assess water quality results from Coalition monitoring location within the priority site subwatershed.	Summary of water quality data from Management Plan Monitoring.	MLJ-LLC	May 1, 2014 May 1, 2015	May 1, 2014 May 1, 2015	May 1, 2014 May 1, 2015	May 1, 2014 May 1, 2015
<b>Performance Goal 5: Consult with CVRWQCB at least once to discuss Management Plan activities and consider if changes need to be made in Management Plan strategy for High Priority waterbodies.</b>						

\*Contacts with growers to determine implemented practices will occur between February 1 and April 30; all information obtained by February 28<sup>th</sup> will be entered into an Access database and included in the following May 1 Management Plan Update Report; any additional information will be reported on during the quarterly meetings.