

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN DIEGO REGION
Summary of Board Actions and Proceedings
at the July 1, 2009 Board Meeting

MINUTES

Minutes of June 10, 2009 Board Meeting.

NON-CONSENT ITEMS

Administrative Assessment of Civil Liability, South Orange County Wastewater Authority, the South Coast Water District Groundwater Recovery Facility. The Regional Board will consider adoption of a tentative Order that would impose a \$204,000 mandatory minimum penalty recommended in Complaint No. R9-2009-0028 for violations of Order No. R9-2006-0054, NPDES No. CA0107417, Waste Discharge Requirements for the South Orange County Wastewater Authority, Discharge to the Pacific Ocean Via the San Juan Creek Ocean Outfall, Orange County. On May 13, 2009, the Regional Board conducted a public hearing on the matter. The Regional Board closed the hearing and directed the prosecution staff and the Discharger to each submit a summary legal brief by June 12, 2009 based on the evidence in the record. On July 1, 2009, the Regional Board will consider the briefs, continue its deliberation on the matter, and may take an action. The Regional Board may approve, modify, or reject assessment of the recommended penalty. (Tentative Order R9-2009-0048 *(Jeremy Haas)*)

PUBLIC HEARING: Reissuance of NPDES Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Urban Runoff from the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) draining the watersheds of the County of Orange, the Orange County Flood Control District, and the incorporated Cities of Aliso Viejo, Dana Point, Laguna Beach, Laguna Hills, Laguna Niguel, Laguna Woods, Lake Forest, Mission Viejo, Rancho Santa Margarita, San Clemente, and San Juan Capistrano within the San Diego Region (South Orange County Municipal Storm Water Requirements). The Board will hear comments as they pertain to Tentative Order No. R9-2009-0002 (formerly Tentative Order Nos. R9-2008-0001 and R9-2007-0002). Public review of the revised Order began on March 13, 2009, with the staff of the Northern Watershed Unit convening several meetings with the public and the Copermittees subsequent to public release. This Hearing continues the process of reissuing the MS4 Permit that began in 2007.

The Board will not be taking an action on this item. *(Ben Neill)*

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Approved minutes.

Order R9-2009-0048 was approved w/errata.

Board Members made recommendations. No action was taken.

POSTPONED ITEM

CONSIDERATION OF SETTLEMENT: Ametek Inc. - Administrative Assessment of Civil Liability against Ametek Inc. (former Ametek/Ketema Aerospace Manufacturing Facility) for violation of Cleanup and Abatement Order No. R9-2002-0201. The Regional Board will consider adoption of an Order Assessing Administrative Civil Liability in accordance with the terms of a settlement agreement between the Regional Board Prosecution Team and Ametek, Inc. The Order would resolve violations alleged in Complaint No. R9- 2008-0033. The settlement includes: (1) payment of \$600,000 to the Regional Board for reimbursement of staff costs and to the State Water Resources Control Board Cleanup and Abatement Account; and (2) suspension of the remaining civil liabilities pending Ametek, Inc.'s completion of specified actions set forth in an agreed upon Cleanup and Abatement Order to the satisfaction of the Regional Board. If the Regional Board rejects the settlement, the matter will be rescheduled to a future public hearing at which time the Regional Board will consider assessment of civil liability. (Tentative Order No. R9-2009-0024)
(Laurie Walsh)

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Postponed to a future meeting.