State of California Regional Water Quality Control Board San Diego Region

EXECUTIVE OFFICER SUMMARY REPORT

March 9, 2016

ITEM: 7

SUBJECT: WDR Rescission: Rescission of WDRs for County of San

Diego Heise Park Water Pollution Control Facility and Pine Valley Water Pollution Control Facility. (Tentative Order No.

R9-2016-0015) (Alex Cali)

PURPOSE: To consider adoption of Tentative Order No. R9-2016-0015

(Supporting Document 1).

RECOMMENDATION: The San Diego Water Board staff recommends adoption of

Tentative Order No. R9-2016-0015 (Supporting

Document 1).

KEY ISSUES:

1. Adoption of the Tentative Order will rescind Orders Nos.

93-09, Waste Discharge Requirements for the Heise Park Campground Plant, County of San Diego Parks and Recreation Department, San Diego County (Supporting Document 2) and 94-161, Waste Discharge Requirements

for the County of San Diego, Pine Valley Sanitation District, Pine Valley Water Pollution Control Facility, San

Diego County (Supporting Document 3).

2. The San Diego Water Board issued Notices of Applicability (NOA) enrolling both facilities in Order No.

WQ-2014-0153-DWQ, General Waste Discharge

Requirements for Small Domestic Wastewater Treatment Systems (General Order) on February 10, 2016 with the effective date of enrollment coinciding with the rescission of the WDRs. (Supporting Documents Nos. 6 and 7).

PRACTICAL VISION: The Tentative Order implements the goal of the Practical

Vision to maintain healthy waters¹ in the San Diego Region by updating waste discharge specifications to implement the Basin Plan water quality objective for groundwater and

requirements established in the waste discharge

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/water_issues/Practical_Vision/docs/PV_1_Strategizing_for_Healthy_Waters_Dec2013.pdf

¹ Strategizing for Healthy Waters

requirements (WDRs) for the Heise Park Campground Water Pollution Control Facility (WPCF) and the Pine Valley WPCF The Tentative Order also takes advantage of a Statewide General Order to more effectively use our limited regional staff resources, and reduce the regional backlog of WDRs in need of updating.

DISCUSSION:

Tentative Order No. R9-2016-0015 rescinds Orders Nos. 93-09 and 94-161. Upon rescission of the orders, the facilities will be enrolled in the statewide General Order. Existing and new small domestic wastewater treatment facilities discharging under 100,000 gallons per day are eligible to enroll in the General Order. Enrolling qualifying facilities in the General Order helps the San Diego Water Board to more efficiently use its staff resources for compliance assurance work and reduce the regional backlog of outdated WDRs without having to update individual WDRs.

It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that rescinding the WDRs will have an adverse impact on the environment. This Order is therefore exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Enrollment of the facilities in the General Order through issuance of NOAs does not require additional CEQA compliance beyond that completed by the State Water Resources Control Board when it adopted the General Order.

LEGAL CONCERNS: None

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

- 1. Tentative Order No. R9-2016-0015.
- 2. Heise Park WPCF Regional Map.
- 3. Pine Valley Park WPCF Regional Map.
- 4. Tentative Order No. R9-2016-0015 Transmittal Letter.
- 5. Heise Park WPCF Notice of Applicability.
- 6. Pine Valley Park WPCF Notice of Applicability.
- 7. Public Notice for Agenda Item.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES:

No changes are being made to the treatment system at either facility. The permitted discharge flow rates, previously established by individual WDRs, are reduced at both facilities in the associated Notice of Applicability (Supporting Documents 5 and 6) for enrollment in the General Order.

COMPLIANCE RECORD:

The Heise Park WPCF compliance record includes past effluent violations for chloride and total dissolved solids from 2001 to 2014. The Pine Valley Park WPCF compliance record includes past effluent violations for total dissolved solids from 2002 to 2014 and pH from 2001 to 2006.

PUBLIC NOTICE:

Notification of this agenda item (Supporting Document 7) was posted on the San Diego Water Board web page on January 21, 2016. This action satisfies the public notification requirements of Water Code, division 7 section 13167.5 for a 30 day notice.