

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN DIEGO REGION**

ORDER NO. R9-2024-0006

**AN ORDER RESCINDING ORDER NO. 86-22, WASTE DISCHARGE
REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DISCHARGE OF GEMSTONE POLISHING
WASTEWATER TO PERCOLATION PONDS BY CRAFTSTONES, RAMONA,
SAN DIEGO COUNTY**

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board), finds that:

1. Order No. 86-22, *Waste Discharge Requirements for the Discharge of Gemstone Polishing Wastewater to Percolation Ponds by Craftstones, Ramona, San Diego County* (Order No. 86-22), established requirements for the discharge of gemstone polishing wastewater to percolation ponds located adjacent to Santa Maria Creek in the City of Ramona. Craftstones is located at 505 Elm Street, Ramona in San Diego County. The San Diego Water Board adopted Order No. 86-22 on March 24, 1986.
2. The Discharger contacted the San Diego Water Board on March 17, 2023, and requested rescission of Order No. 86-22. Staff inspected the Craftstones facility on May 16, 2023. During the inspection staff confirmed that the Discharger terminated all waste discharges regulated under Order No. 86-22.
3. Adoption of Order No. R9-2024-0006 is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA, Public Resources Code, section 21000 et seq.) pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15060(c)(2). The action to rescind Order No. 86-22 will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment. In addition, adoption of Order No. R9-2024-0006 is exempt from CEQA pursuant to categorical exemptions listed in title 14, section 15301 (ongoing or existing projects).
4. The San Diego Water Board heard and considered all comments pertaining to the adoption of Order No. R9-2024-0006 in a public meeting on February 14, 2024.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Order No. 86-22 is rescinded.

I, David W. Gibson, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region, on February 14, 2024.

Kelly Dorsey, Assistant Executive Officer for

David W. Gibson, Executive Officer