

SUPERIOR ACCOMPLISHMENT AWARD

**QUARTER 3, FISCAL YEAR 22-23
JUNE 2023**

Employee: Jeffrey Pyle
Unit: Waste Discharge Requirement (WDR) Permitting Program
Title: Engineering Geologist
Supervisor: Scott Hatton

Jeff Pyle is a vital asset to the Waste Discharge Requirement (WDR) Permitting Program. His years of programmatic experience and in-depth knowledge of Central Valley geology allow him to take on some of the most challenging projects in the Program and in the Fresno office. He is a valuable resource to other staff in the office and is often asked by staff for technical direction on their projects. He consistently provides thorough reviews of the technical reports assigned to him. Jeff also provides excellent customer service to those he interacts with. Even when handling contentious issues with a discharger or concerned citizen, he can always be trusted to show the utmost professionalism.

There have been multiple vacancies and Jeff has stepped up to the plate to help complete former staff's projects as well as keep up with his own projects. Some of the recent work Jeff has completed include:

- Responding to various public inquiries;
- Becoming familiar with the new Statewide Winery General Order and assisting dischargers with starting the application process;
- Circulating tentative WDRs for an industrial facility that was adopted at the April Board meeting;
- Working on applications for the Small Domestic General Order;
- Prepared an in-depth review of a Discharger's Groundwater Monitoring Well Network and prepared a 13267 letter to address issues he identified at the site; and
- Conducted an in-depth review of a proposed groundwater monitoring well network and pond liner work plan for a new slaughterhouse in Lemoore.

Jeff is a great asset to the Fresno office and is well deserving of this award.