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California Regional Water Quality Control Board

Los Angeles Region

Tracy Egoscue, Executive Officer

Executive Officer's Report

The Executive Officer's Report is not intended to be an exhaustive list, but rather highlights of Regional Board staff activities from the previous month.

Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs)

Los Angeles River Bacterial Indicators TMDL – Cleaner River Through Effective Stakeholder TMDLs (CREST)

Man Voong

On September 23, 2009, the stakeholder group Cleaner Rivers Through Effective Stakeholder TMDLs (CREST) held the Los Angeles River Dry Weather Bacteria TMDL Implementation Workshop. The goal of the workshop was to identify actions (or building blocks) of TMDL implementation, and to gather information to allow for the development of an ambitious but realistic schedule for the Implementation Plan of the Los Angeles River Bacterial Indicators TMDL. Participants in this workshop included municipalities, agencies including the Regional Water Board and US EPA, and non-governmental organizations. Presentation of this largely stakeholder-driven TMDL for Regional Board consideration is planned for Spring of 2010.

Los Angeles County Department of Public Works, Maintenance Clearing of Engineered Earth-Bottom Flood Control Channels (File No. 99-011)

Valerie Carrillo

On October 13, 2009, Regional Board staff released tentative Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) to regulate the maintenance clearing of earth-bottom channels by the County of Los Angeles. These WDRs will permit and regulate the periodic clearing of 99 hard-side, earth-bottom channels in Los Angeles County. Comments on the tentative WDR will be accepted until November 12, 2009.

Watershed Management

Watershed Stakeholder Activities

Nine of the ten watershed management areas in the Los Angeles Region have extensive stakeholder involvement (represented by agencies, individuals, businesses, and nonprofit organizations) in watershed and subwatershed activities including development of planning documents and implementation of restoration projects. Major watershed activities involving multiple stakeholders include participation in the Integrated Regional Water Management Plan process to address areawide water supply,

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water quality, and open space issues; and development and implementation of various water quality and wetlands restoration plans such as is occurring at Colorado Lagoon in Long Beach and at Ormond Beach Wetlands in Ventura County. Additional information on watershed stakeholder activities may be found at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/water_issues/programs/regional_program/index.shtml#Watershed.

Watershed Management Initiative Chapter

Each Regional Board has a "chapter" in a statewide document which describes the Region's watersheds and their priority water quality issues. Updates occur as needed; the last update occurred in December 2007. The 2007 document can be downloaded at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/water_issues/programs/regional_program/index.shtml#Watershed. In addition, there is a clickable map of the region's watersheds for information specific to each one including State of Watershed Reports, where available, and lists of permits and impaired waters.

Funding

Information on a wide variety of funding sources is available on the California Watershed Funding Database website at <http://calwatershedfunds.org/>. Both Los Angeles and Ventura Counties have developed Integrated Regional Water Management Plans (IRWMPs) in order to qualify for funding under Propositions 50 and 84. The Los Angeles County IRWMP may be viewed at <http://www.lawaterplan.org/> which also includes information on meeting schedules and summaries. The Greater LA Region is composed of five subregions which conduct separate steering committee meetings. The Ventura County IRWMP is available at <http://www.watershedscoalition.org/> which also includes information on meeting schedules and summaries. Committees/councils for the County's watersheds generally meet on a monthly basis. The Watersheds Coalition of Ventura County meets as a combined group less frequently. Stakeholders in the upper Santa Clara River watershed have developed a separate IRWMP which is available at <http://www.scrwaterplan.org>.

Landfills Unit

Gardena Valley No. 5 Landfill

Enrique Casas

DTSC and Water Board staff jointly oversee an on-going investigation and cleanup of a 76-acre redevelopment on the former Golden Eagle Refinery (Refinery) in Carson. The Water Board is lead for a 10-acre portion (Site) of the Refinery that was used for waste disposal (Gardena Valley No. 5 Landfill), while DTSC is lead for the remaining portion of the Refinery, where refinery operations occurred.

The existing asphalt concrete cover and gas collection and monitoring systems that were constructed over the Gardena Valley No. 5 Landfill in the 1990s are in need of post-closure maintenance upgrades. Water Board staff issued a CWC 13267 directive to Eni Petroleum (discharger / responsible party), to upgrade the final cover system to include a geomembrane-based resistive barrier layer. ENI was made responsible for a revised final cover design whose performance can control contaminants, support cleanup operations, and is adequate for the proposed end use for vehicle parking.

The most recent water quality monitoring has established that there is a release from the Landfill. In response, on September 29, 2009, Regional Board staff required the Discharger to institute an evaluation groundwater monitoring program, construct proposed final cover improvements, and implement final appropriate cover postclosure maintenance activities. Because Regional Board staff does not have sufficient assurance that land use as private vehicle access and parking at the Site is compatible with expected continued landfill settlement, the integrity of the proposed landfill cover improvements, or protection of the environment or human health and safety associated with Landfill impacts to area groundwater, land use is re-

stricted to open space until the Executive Officer deems the site to be remediated.

Southwest Steel Rolling Mills Landfill

Enrique Casas

The Southwest Steel Rolling Mills No. 1 Landfill (Landfill) was operated as a disposal facility for slag wastes generated from steel manufacturing operations. The approximately two-acre site is located on the east side of Figueroa Street, just north of Anelo Avenue in the City of Carson. The site operated as a landfill from 1957 to 1968 and was permitted through an industrial waste permit issued by the County of Los Angeles Department of County Engineer Industrial Waste Division. Wastes permitted for disposal at the Landfill were limited to natural earth, rock, sand and gravel, paving fragments, concrete, brick, plaster and plaster products, steel mill slag, street sweepings, glass, and asbestos fiber and products there from. After closure, the Landfill was used to store equipment. Greve Financial Services, Inc. (Owner) proposed to prepare the Landfill for future commercial development by excavating and disposing of the slag material, and covering the entire parcel with asphaltic concrete or concrete when commercial redevelopment is complete.

On June 1, 2009 Regional Board staff approved a site closure and groundwater monitoring work plan, conditioned on the Owner providing confirmation from the City of Carson that the project is exempt from California Environmental Quality Act requirements prior to commencing with the remediation project. Subsequently, the Owner undertook voluntary cleanup of the Landfill.

Cleanup activities consisted of:

- Soils overlying the landfill wastes were removed, stockpiled onsite, and tested for comparison to clean-up limits approved by Regional Board staff for reuse on-site.
- Landfill wastes, consisting of slag, soil, bricks, and waste debris were excavated and sifted through a 4-inch minus screen. The sifted materials that passed the screen were tested for comparison to clean-up limits for reuse on-site.
- Oversized wastes that did not pass the screen were separated into piles of slag, inert materials (rocks and bricks), and wastes consisting largely of automobile parts. The separated slag and waste materials were disposed offsite.
- Rock and some bricks were reused onsite as part of an engineered soil fill constructed to meet project design grades with slag wastes and soils that failed the clean-fill criteria were transported to either Chandler's Landfill in Rolling Hills Estates or the Arcadia Reclamation Landfill in Arcadia.

On September 24, 2009 Regional Board staff made the determination that the Owner failed to forward confirmation from the City of Carson that the project is exempt from California Environmental Quality Act requirements prior to commencing with the remediation project. Moreover, the Owner had not implement a groundwater monitoring program as part of the proposed project. Results of the analytical testing presented indicated the occurrence of total petroleum hydrocarbons that exceed cleanup limits for petroleum hydrocarbons. Moreover, disposal of the hydrocarbon contaminated soils at the concentrations reported exceed discharge limits in Order No. 91-93, *General Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharge of Non-Hazardous Contaminated Soils and Other Wastes in Los Angeles River and Santa Clara River Basins*. Similarly, PCB test results for Aroclor 1254 indicate that all soils sampled failed to meet the total threshold limits concentration for hazardous waste or California human health screening levels, and were not compatible with disposal at Chandler's Landfill or Arcadia Reclamation Landfill.

In response, Regional Board staff directed the Owner to cease all redevelopment activities associated with the proposed end-use of the Landfill until the following concerns have been completed to the satisfaction of the Regional Board Executive Officer:

- Provide confirmation from the City of Carson that the project is exempt from California Environmental Quality Act requirements.
- Submit all documentation of waste materials handling and disposal for the project, including bills of lading, waste manifests, and landfill receipts, to assess the potential improper disposal of contaminated soils.
- Determine the carbon range for petroleum hydrocarbons to assess the potential for improper clean up and soils disposal.
- Assess metals and PCB contamination in the engineered backfill constructed at the Landfill.
- Implement a groundwater monitoring program at the Landfill pursuant to conditions of our July 25, 2007 correspondence to assess any Landfill impacts to groundwater.
- Complete a human health risk assessment associated with the occurrence of Aroclor 1254 in soils reused at the Landfill in the engineered backfill, as well as risks associated with soils excavation completed to date.
- Complete a Covenant and Environmental Restriction on the property title detailing contamination from metals and Aroclor 1254.

Baldwin Oil Field Land Treatment Units (Inglewood)

Enrique Casas

Plains Exploration & Production Company (PXP) actively operates an approximately 1,000-acre Baldwin (Inglewood) Oil Field to produce oil and gas. Three bioremediation land treatment units (LTUs) are located within the oil field and operated under Regional Board waste discharge requirements (Order No. 01-054, adopted in March 19, 2001). The three LTUs, Vickers (1.2 acres), LAI North (4.25 acres), and LAI South (1 acre), are utilized to continuously remediate contaminated soils generated at the oil field. The bioremediation cells are underlain by compacted clay liners and surrounded by two-to-three foot tall containment berms. Petroleum hydrocarbon contaminated soils from the abandonment of wells and routine oilfield operation are spread onto the LTUs. Irrigation water with dissolved nutrients (urea) is sprayed over the unit by a sprinkler system and the soils are disked several times per week to increase aeration and enhance degradation of the petroleum hydrocarbons. Approximately 17,000 cubic yards of non-hazardous oil-contaminated soils are treated each year.

On August 26, 2008, Regional Board staff inspected the facility to evaluate compliance with Regional Board Order No. 01-054 and to clarify facility details provided in the Baldwin Hills Community Standards District Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR). Violations of Regional Board Order No. 01-054 were observed, including the potential for irrigation water and nutrients applied to the LTUs to be released to surface waters, ponding of irrigation water at one LTU, and poorly maintained concrete lined sumps to the LTUs that potentially prevented capture of surface runoff from LTUs so that it could be directed to an on-site treatment facility. Two additional findings of note concluded that the one existing monitoring well (MW-1) is inadequate to assess historic contamination from the facility as described in Baldwin Hills Community Standards District DEIR, and an area of significant surface water run-on resulting from excess irrigation from the adjacent Ladera Ball Fields requires PXP coordination with the County of Los Angeles Park and Recreation Department to eliminate the over watering.

Based on Regional Board staff concerns, on August 14, 2009, PXP submitted a workplan to expand the facility monitoring network to eight monitoring wells that target shallow alluvial groundwater in native canyon areas by monitoring locations downgradient of desilting and/or retention basins. On September 14, 2009, Regional Board staff approved the proposed groundwater monitoring network and proposed to revise the WDRs for the facility accordingly.

Construction and demolition debris and inert debris (CDI) disposal cases

Enrique Casas

In 2004 the California Integrated Management Board revised title 14 (California Code of Regulations) permitting requirements, tier requirements, and minimum operating standards for facilities that receive, store, handle, transfer, or process construction and demolition debris and inert debris (CDI). A requirement for all permit tiers is that a Regional Board issue WDRs or exemptions from WDRs for these activities. Historically, inert debris disposal, often in area streams or rivers, has commonly occurred without any or minimal permitting, especially in Ventura County, where inert debris has been used as backfill for the improvement of agricultural lands.

Regional Board Landfills staff continues to pursue CDI disposal cases per title 14 permitting requirements in coordination with Regional Board 401 staff, and staff of the Department of Fish and Game, U.S. Army Corp of Engineers, and Waste Board local enforcement agencies. In the previous month a directive to submit a report of waste discharger was submitted to one discharger (Richard E. King) for the onsite reuse of construction demolition materials at property located on South Mountain Lookout Road, Santa Paula CA.

Branford Landfill, Final Closure and Post-Closure Maintenance Plan and Addendum (Closure Plan)

Douglas Cross

The Branford Landfill (Landfill) is a closed landfill formerly operated by the City of Los Angeles (City) as a Class III municipal solid waste landfill from August 1957 to January 1961. The Landfill and located at 9701 San Fernando Road, Sun Valley in a former sand and gravel mining pit currently owned by TC Branford Associates, LLC (TCBA).

The total property is 33-acres and consists of three separate parcels: Parcel A (12.5-acres) is a former City Bus maintenance facility (Bus Facility); Parcel B (6.5-acres) is a former City trash truck maintenance yard (City Yard); and Parcel C (14-acres) is the former Branford Landfill. It should be noted that from site investigations it has been determined that portions of the landfill encroached on Parcels A and B. The structures associated with previous operations have since been removed and the site is presently a vacant dirt lot.

TCBA submitted a Closure Plan for proposed post closure land use for the property to include four buildings to be placed outside the landfill waste footprint with parking and a self storage area to be placed over portions of the landfill. The proposed post closure land use would provide better grading and drainage of the property as well as providing some degree of cover to the landfill.

The City LEA and the California Integrate Waste Management Board have reviewed and approved the Closure Plan with minor comments. Regional Board staff is currently completing our review of the Closure Plan.

US Navy Submitted Report Waste Discharge for San Clemente Island Landfill

Wen Yang

As ordered by the Executive Officer in a letter dated January 30, 2009, the US Navy has submitted an updated Report of Waste Discharge to the Regional Board to apply for waste discharge requirements (WDRs) for the San Clemente Island Landfill (Landfill). The Landfill has been owned and operated by the US Navy since the 1940s and currently receives approximately 20 tons of municipal solid waste per week. Because of the small volume of waste that the Landfill receives and the lack of known groundwater at the island, the facility has not been regulated under WDRs. To fulfill the requirement of the California Water Code that requires all waste discharge be either regulated under WDRs or a waiver, Board staff intends to regulate the

Landfill with site specific WDRs. Staff is in the process of preparing tentative WDRs for the site. The tentative WDRS are expected to be considered by the Board at the December 10, 2009, regular Board meeting.

Clean Closure of an Illegal Waste Disposal Site at Santa Catalina Island

Wen Yang

Regional Board staff has been requested by Santa Catalina Island Company (SCICo) to oversee the remediation of an illegal waste disposal site on Santa Catalina Island, which is an approximately 20,000 square foot vacant lot at 13 Roaring Canyon Road, Santa Catalina Island. SCICo intends to develop the site into a container storage facility that will be used by Southern California Edison. During excavation to prepare the site for development, solid wastes including scrap metal, concrete, tires, automotive batteries, and other household debris were encountered. SCICo proposes to remediate the site by clean closure, including identification and complete removal of all wastes and contaminated soil from the Site and has requested guidance from regulatory agencies, including this Regional Board, for the proposed cleanup activities. Board staff conducted an inspection at the site on October 6, 2009, and is currently working with the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health to determine if the remediation at the site meets the criteria for clean closure as outlined in California Code of Regulations, Title 27, Section 20180.

Groundwater Permitting Unit—(Non Chapter 15)

Oxnard Forebay Prohibition

David Koo

Staff is working with County officials to ensure sewer hookup by residents who have yet to connect with newly constructed sewers.

On August 27, 2009, Regional Board staff attended the public meeting for El Rio property owners and residents living within the area of Phases 7 and 7A of the sewer construction project. The sewer system, still under construction, will help achieve compliance with the Oxnard Forebay prohibition that the Board adopted in 1999.

The meeting was divided into two sessions – a Spanish session at 6:00 p.m. and an English session at 7:30 p.m. Ventura County Supervisor John Zaragoza was the opening speaker at the meeting. After that, Mr. Reddy Pakala, Director of the Ventura County Water and Sanitation Department, provided information regarding applicable fees, procedures to connect to the new sewer system, and abandoning the septic tanks at the meeting. In addition, information on grant opportunity for very low-income homeowners (who occupy their homes) for construction of a lateral line to connect to the main sewer line was also provided. Staff from the Ventura County Building and Safety Department were also present onsite to facilitate the permit application process for the property owners and residents.

The total cost of the El Rio sewer system project is \$38 million. The State of California and USEPA have provided approximately \$29 million in grants for the project. The remaining balance is funded with a low interest loan from the State of California known as State Revolving Fund (SRF).

Proposed Amendment to the *Basin Plan to Prohibit On-Site Wastewater Disposal Systems (OWDSs) in the Malibu Civic Center Area*

Dionisia Rodriguez

On November 5, 2009, the Regional Board will consider a proposal to prohibit on-site wastewater disposal systems (septic systems) in the Malibu Civic Center area. The proposed prohibition will not allow new septic discharge immediately upon its adoption and prohibit further discharge from existing dischargers in five

years. The prohibition applies to all dischargers in the Malibu Civic Center area, including commercial and industrial facilities, public facilities and residences.

The staff sought public comments on the proposed prohibition. Stakeholders and other interested parties made oral comments on the proposed prohibition at a workshop (September 1, 2009) and a community meeting (October 1, 2009) held at Pepperdine University in Malibu. Members of the public also submitted written comments to the Regional Board, the deadline for which was October 8, 2009. Furthermore, the interested parties can provide oral testimony during the Regional Board's meeting to be held on November 5, 2009 at the City Council Chambers in Simi Valley.

Regional Board staff held a community meeting on October 1, 2009 at Pepperdine University from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Regional Board staff met with the attendees to discuss more specific questions after the community meeting. There were 75 attendees made up of dischargers, residents, consultants, representatives from other public agencies, and environmental groups. Wendy Phillips gave a presentation that illustrated the reasons for the proposed prohibition and further explained the boundaries of the prohibition. There was a comment period after the presentations. Twenty-one attendees made oral comments that ranged from asking for clarification, support for the prohibition, and opposition to the prohibition.

Paradise Cove Park and Beach Cafe, Malibu

Elizabeth Erickson

The engineer for the replacement Beach Café treatment system attributed smells at the Beach Café parking lot during the last month to the necessity for an upgrade to the system. A Report of Waste Discharge has not been received, although discussion did take place this month concerning nutrient treatment. These efforts are in response to the June 6, 2008, second Notice of Violation, sent to Mr. Dahlberg, the owner of Paradise Cove and Paradise Cove Beach Café requiring immediate correction of continuing bacteria violations at the Beach Café. The café has a leach field and seepage pits on the bluff east of the Paradise Cove Mobile Home Park and Ramirez Creek.

Malibu Lumber

Elizabeth Erickson

The Dischargers failed to provide sufficient technical information in support of their Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) for Malibu Lumber. Early technical comments were provided on their leachfield replacement procedures, their August 2009 Monitoring and reporting Program (MRP) and their groundwater monitoring plan.

1) The October 6, 2009 submittal of leachfield replacement procedures does not comply with the requirements for 100% replacement area or workable mechanical alternative. It proposed the removal of soil to 18 inches, a method which does not correct the occlusion of pores throughout the vadose zone which extends at least 5 feet below the leachfield. The engineering method detailed does not follow standard practices for a workable mechanical alternative to improve percolation rates.

2) The September 30, 2009 submittal via email of the August 2009 MRP included the following problems.

(a) The monitoring reports that the system received 5,666 gallons of effluent that was "extra flow that came in between the hours of 7:30 pm and 10:30 pm, at an average rate of 30 gpm for a three hour period." It also states that "the source was not able to be determined (page 1)." The acceptance of sewage not specifically permitted for treatment in the WDR is prohibited without notification of the LARWQCB. It is also troubling that the operator of the plant reports the source of the flow could not be found.

(b) The summary of non-compliance includes nitrogen, TDS, and chloride. The operator reports that "we expected to achieve stable operation at the design effluent Nitrate -Nitrogen concentration of 1.5 milligrams per liter (mg/l) in June. The actual date....is now in question." The permit limit for total nitrogen, when a groundwater level less than 5 feet has been found, is 1 mg/L, not 1.5 mg/L. An operational date for salt and nitrogen compliance and the steps to reach it are required, but not included.

While effluent met the bacteria objectives, the operator did not highlight continuing exceedance of water quality objectives in the groundwater monitoring wells placed at the edge of the leachfield with levels of enterococcus up to 500 MPN/100 mL. An operational date for determining if the elevation of the groundwater beneath the leachfield has affected the bacteria water quality and the steps to make this determination are required, but not included.

The groundwater data were not presented in the depth below the surface, as required by MRP.

Further, the MW-4 well which has contained a groundwater level less than 5 feet in a previous report and where the water table is the shallowest, has been vandalized. An operational date for the replacement of this well and steps for construction of a new well are required, but not included.

3) An early technical response to their groundwater monitoring plan was sent on July 20 and no revision has yet been received.

The groundwater monitoring program submitted on June 11, 2009, did not include necessary additional upgradient and downgradient wells. In addition, the existing leachfield wells were not constructed to State of California (and MRP) requirements and the WDR groundwater monitoring plan did not include protection of groundwater during the Legacy Park irrigation required by the WDR.

Summary of General Waste Discharge Requirements Enrolled

Rosie Villar and Rebecca Chou

From September 17, 2009 to October 12, 2009 - four dischargers enrolled under the general Waste Discharger Requirements (WDR), and six were terminated. The following table contains a breakdown for each category of general WDR.

	Project Manager	Date of Coverage	Date of Revision	Termination
Groundwater Remediation - Petroleum Hydrocarbon Fuel and/or volatile organic compound impacted sites (R4-2007-0019)				
Former ExxonMobil Station 99466, Ventura (Series No. 104)	Gregg Kwey (UST)	9/23/09		
Former Gas To Go Facility, LA (Series No. 105)	Dave Bjostad (UST)	9/30/09		
South Region Elementary School #3, Cudahy (Series No. 102)	Arman Toumari(UST)	10/5/09		
Ojai Valley Imports, Ojai (Series No. 106)	Gregg Kwey (UST)	10/6/09		
Groundwater Remediation at Petroleum Hydrocarbon Fuel and/or Volatile Organic Compound Impacted Sites (R4-2002-0030)				
Big Penny Car Wash, Artesia (Series No. 012)	Ahmad Lamaa (UST)			9/21/09
Stauffer Management Co., LLC, Wilmington (Series No. 018)	Rebecca Chou			9/21/09
Bixby Land Co., Long Beach (Series No. 023)	Ahmad Lamaa (UST)			9/24/09
Small Commercial Multi-family Residential Subsurface Sewage Disposal Systems (Order No. 01-031)				
Village Church, Newhall (Series No. 031)	Toni Callaway			9/17/09
Specified discharges to groundwater (Order No. 93-010)				
Oxnard Wastewater Treatment Plant, Oxnard (Series No. 020)	Toni Callaway			9/22/09
San Gabriel Valley Water Co. -Plant B24, Industry (Series No. 019)	Dionisia Rodriguez			9/23/09

Groundwater Permitting – Notices of Violation (NOVs)

Rosie Villar and Rebecca Chou

Date Is- sued	Permittee	Project Manager
9/22/09	PC Greens Shopping Center, CI 6787 – 2 nd NOV	Toni Callaway
9/23/09	Munz-Mendenhall Camp, CI 4759 – 3 rd NOV	Orlando Gonzalez
9/23/09	Malibu Pier State Park, CI 8456	Toni Callaway
9/25/09	Acton 19, LLC, CI 8830	Dionisia Rodriguez
9/25/09	Navy Auxiliary Landing Field, CI 8474	Dionisia Rodriguez
9/29/09	The Enclave, CI 8629	Dionisia Rodriguez

Groundwater Permitting – Inspection Report(s)

Rosie Villar and Rebecca Chou

Date Issued	Permittee	Project Manager
9/23/09	Surfrider Beach Comfort Station (First Point), CI 8532	Wendy Phillips

Summary of California Water Code Section 13260 Order

Rosie Villar and Rebecca Chou

Date Issued	Permittee	Project Manager
9/22/09	Wave Property Inc., File 09-047	David Koo
9/24/09	Building at 28811 Pacific Coast Highway, File 09-175	Rebecca Chou
9/29/09	Land Corporation, File 09-048	David Koo
9/29/09	Zuma Jay Surfboards, File 09-177	David Koo
9/29/09	HD Roy Building, File 09-178	David Koo

Underground Storage Tank Program

Completion of Corrective Action at Leaking Underground Fuel Storage Tank Sites

Yue Rong

Regional Board staff have reviewed corrective actions taken for soil and/or groundwater contamination problems from leaking underground storage tanks for the time of **September 15, 2009** through **October 8, 2009**, and determined that no further corrective actions are required for the following sites:

- R & S Oil Company, Canoga Park (913040607)
- Chevron #9-6311, North Hollywood (916041189)
- Mobil Service Station 18L81, Torrance (905030116)
- Rolo Transportation, Los Angeles (900130061)
- County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles, Compton (R-12604)
- Bicycle Club Casino, Bell Gardens (R-27075)

- Lunday-Thagard Refinery, South Gate (R-24294)
- Former Thrifty Oil Station #218, Chatsworth (913110989)
- USA Gasoline Station No. 5, Azusa (I-09614A)
- Former Alliant Food Facility, City of Industry (R-10563)
- Al Sal Oil Company Service Station No. 4, Los Angeles (900350116)

For the case closure sites above, a total of **8,485** tons of impacted soils were excavated and **24,722** pounds of hydrocarbons were removed by soil vapor extraction system. In addition, **519,397** gallons of impacted groundwater were treated.

Executive Officer issued general Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs)

Yue Rong

The Executive Officer, on behalf of the board, issued 3 general Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) to ExxonMobil Station, located in Ventura (9/23/09), LAUSD Elementary School #3 site, located in Cudahy (10/5/09), and Ojai Valley Imports, located in Ojai (10/6/09). The WDRs issued for injection of oxygen generation and oxidation compounds to the impacted aquifer for in-situ groundwater cleanup, which is designed to save water resources by avoiding discharging the treated water to the ocean.

Enforcement Unit

NPDES Facility Inspections

Enforcement Unit NPDES inspector conducted inspections at 5 facilities with NPDES Permits since October 1, 2009. Inspection of these facilities is a required part of the NPDES program.

13267 Order:

A 13267 Order to Submit Information Letter was issued to the City of South Pasadena on October 12, 2009 for the October 4, 2009 unpermitted discharge of raw sewage at 1020 Arroyo Verde Road in South Pasadena, CA. The Discharger has until November 16, 2009 to submit the required information and report to the Regional Board.

A 13267 Order to Submit Information Letter was issued to Bixby Terrace Community Association on September 30, 2009 for the July 27, 2009 unpermitted discharge of raw sewage at 6450 Bixby Terrace Drive in Long Beach, CA. The Discharger has until October 30, 2009 to submit the required information and report to the Regional Board.

Expedited Payment Program

- **STIPULATED ORDER on SETTLEMENT OFFER NO. R4-2008-0112-M** was issued to Pacifica Host Hotels (Permittee) on September 30, 2009 in the amount of \$189,000 for alleged violations of Regional Board Order No. R4-2004-0058, NPDES Permit No. CAG994003. On August 6, 2009, Pacifica Host Hotels accepted the Regional Board's offer to participate in the Expedited Payment Program and waived their right to a hearing. The Permittee has until October 30, 2009 to submit the penalty payment.
- **STIPULATED ORDER on SETTLEMENT OFFER NO. R4-2008-0113-M** was issued to Reliant Energy Mandalay, LLC (Permittee) on September 30, 2009 in the amount of \$192,000 for alleged violations of Regional Board Order Nos. 94-131 and 01-057, NPDES Permit No. CA0001180. On May 15,

2009, the Regional Board, based on new information submitted by the Permittee, rescinded certain effluent violations and accordingly revised the penalty to \$111,000. On June 12, 2009, Reliant Energy Mandalay, LLC accepted the Regional Board's offer to participate in the Expedited Payment Program and waived their right to a hearing. The Regional Board received the Permittee's penalty payment on October 12, 2009.

- **STIPULATED ORDER on SETTLEMENT OFFER NO. R4-2008-0200-M** was issued to Citicorp North America Incorporated (Permittee) on September 30, 2009 in the amount of \$252,000 for alleged violations of Regional Board Order No. R4-2003-0111, NPDES Permit No. CAG994004. On May 15, 2009, the Regional Board, based on new information submitted by the Permittee, rescinded certain effluent violations and accordingly revised the penalty to \$9,000. On June 30, 2009, Citicorp North America Incorporated accepted the Regional Board's offer to participate in the Expedited Payment Program and waived their right to a hearing. The Permittee has until October 30, 2009 to submit the penalty payment.
- **STIPULATED ORDER on SETTLEMENT OFFER NO. R4-2008-0081-M** was issued to Kaiser Aluminum Fabricated Products, LLC (Permittee) on September 30, 2009 in the amount of \$60,000 for alleged violations of Regional Board Order No. R4-2005-0008, NPDES Permit No. CA0000892. The Permittee has up to October 30, 2009 to respond.
- **STIPULATED ORDER on SETTLEMENT OFFER NO. R4-2008-0129-M** was issued to Interactive Corp. (Permittee) on September 30, 2009 in the amount of \$9,000 for alleged violations of Regional Board Order No. R4-2003-0111, NPDES Permit No. CAG994004 for the Ticketmaster Building. The Permittee has up to October 30, 2009 to respond.
- **STIPULATED ORDER on SETTLEMENT OFFER NO. R4-2008-0174-M** was issued to Harris Water Conditioning (Permittee) on September 30, 2009 in the amount of \$3,000 for alleged violations of Regional Board Order No. R4-2002-0093, NPDES Permit No. CA0060267. The Regional Board received the Permittee's penalty payment on October 15, 2009.
- **STIPULATED ORDER on SETTLEMENT OFFER NO. R4-2008-0178-M** was issued to the City of Los Angeles, Department of Water and Power (Permittee) on September 30, 2009 in the amount of \$6,000 for alleged violations of Regional Board Order No. R4-2002-0125, NPDES Permit No. CAG834001 for the Palms Service Center. The Permittee has up to October 30, 2009 to respond.

SUMMARY OF GENERAL PERMITTING UNIT ACTIVITIES FOR SEPTEMBER 2009

During the month of September 2009, fourteen dischargers were enrolled under the general NPDES permits, one enrollment was revised and one enrollment was terminated. The table on the following page shows the breakdown of the enrollments, revisions, and terminations for each category of general NPDES permit during the month of September 2009.

		Date of Coverage	Date of Revision	Date of Termination
A.	NPDES CAG994004 (Order No. R4-2003-0111) Construction & Project Dewatering			
1	W.E. Construction Inc.—Del Amo Park Improvement Project, 703 E. Del Amo Bl., Carson	9/2/09		
2	Beverly Atrium LLC, 350 S. Beverly Drive, Beverly Hills	9/8/09		
3	City of Lynwood, Well #8, 11331 Bullis Road, Lynwood	9/8/09		
4	City of Santa Monica, Santa Monica WTP, 1228 South Bundy Dr, L.A.	9/8/09		
5	Southern California Edison, Silver Strand Beach Construction, Various Streets Adjacent to Silver Strand Beach, Unincorporated Area of Ventura County	9/10/09		
6	Montrose Chemical Corp of CA—Pilot Groundwater Extraction Test Project, Former Montrose Facility & Montrose—Del Amo Superfund Site, 20201 S. Normandie Ave, L.A.		10/10/09	
7	Robertson Theatres Corporation, 120 N. Robertson Bl., L.A.			9/10/09
8	Lois M. Fisher Trust, Fisher Property, 3800-3832 West 6 th Street. L.A.	9/15/09		
9	Pacific Pipeline System, LLC, Newhall Pump Station, 26187 McBean Parkway, Valencia	9/17/09		
10	City of L.A., DWP, MWD—LA 30 Connection Project, Between Sepulveda & Washington Bl., L.A.	9/24/09		
11	G & K Management, Museum Terrace Apartments, 600 S. Curson Avenue, L.A.	9/30/09		
12	2126 Strand LLC, Single Family House, 2126 Strand, Hermosa Beach			
B.	NPDES No. CAG994005 (Order No. R4-2003-0108) Potable Water Supply Wells Discharges			
C.	NPDES CAG674001 (Order No. R4-2009-0068) Hydrostatic Test Water			
1	Shell Oil Products US, Shell Signal Hill Terminal, 2457 Redondo Avenue, Signal Hill	9/1/09		
2	Calleguas Municipal Water District—Salinity Management Pipeline Phase 1E, Hydrostatic Test Project, East Hueneme Road to Port Hueneme, Oxnard	9/8/09		
3	Calleguas Municipal Water District—Hueneme Outfall Replacement Project, Port Hueneme Beach Park and Point Mugu, Port Hueneme	9/17/09		
4	Calleguas Municipal Water District—Thousand Oaks Reservoir Replacement Project, 568 Lone Oak Drive, Thousand Oaks	9/22/09		
5	Shell Oil Products US—Shell Carson Distribution Terminal, 20945 South Wilmington Avenue, Carson	9/29/09		
D.	NPDES CAG994003 (Order No. R4-2009-0047) Nonprocess			
E.	NPDES CAG834001 (Order No. 2007-0021) – Cleanup of Petroleum Fuel Pollution			
F.	NPDES CAG914001(Order No. 2007-0022) – Cleanup of Volatile Organic Compounds Contaminated Groundwater			

Personnel Report

As of November 5, 2009 our staff total is 139: 123 technical staff (including 1 part-time staff), 7 permanent analytical staff and 9 permanent clerical staff.

The following promotions were made:

Samuel Unger, from Supervising Water Resource Control Engineer to Principal Water Resource Control Engineer effective May 18, 2009.

Renee Purdy, from Staff Environmental Scientist to Environmental Program Manager I effective September 7, 2009.

The following separated from Region 4:

Blythe Ponak-Bacharowski, Senior Engineering Geologist, retired from State service effective July 30, 2009.

Mercedes Hsu, Water Resource Control Engineer, retired from State service effective September 15, 2009.