

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA
CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL COAST REGION**

**STAFF REPORT FOR REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 14, 2004
Prepared on February 17, 2004**

ITEM: 34

SUBJECT: Rescission of Waste Discharge Requirements (Order No. 89-84) for Grant Park Development, Inc./ Enrollment in the *Statewide General Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges to Land by Small Domestic Wastewater Treatment Systems* (Order No. 97-10-DWQ), San Luis Obispo County

KEY INFORMATION

Discharger: Grant Park Development, Incorporated
Location: 1938 Adelaida Road, Paso Robles
Discharge Type: Sanitary Wastewater
Treatment: Septic tank and Leachfield
Design Capacity: 7,000 gallons per day
Discharge Volume: 2,000 gallons per day
Recycling: None
Existing Order: 89-84

SUMMARY

The Regional Board adopted Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 89-84 to regulate a sanitary wastewater discharge from Resthaven RV and Mobile Home Park, a recreational development that serves recreational vehicles and mobile homes. That Order, adopted in 1989, is due for a regularly scheduled update. Staff recommends rescinding Order No. 89-84 and regulating the discharge using the *Statewide General Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges to Land by Small Domestic Wastewater Treatment Systems* (Order No. 97-10-DWQ).

DISCUSSION

Section 13263(e) of the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act authorizes Regional Boards to review waste discharge requirements periodically. Due to the age of the existing waste discharge requirements for the Resthaven RV and Mobile Home Park, (hereafter "Resthaven"), adopted in 1989, Regional Board staff reviewed the waste

discharge requirements to ensure that regulation is consistent with current State laws, regulations, and water quality control plans.

Grant Park Development, Inc. owns Resthaven, an existing recreational development near Paso Robles in San Luis Obispo County. (Grant Park Development and Resthaven are collectively referred to as "Discharger" in this staff report.) The Discharger treats and disposes of sanitary wastewater through a septic tank/leachfield system with a design capacity of 7,000 gallons-per-day (gpd). Current wastewater flow to the systems is approximately 2,000 gpd, which is substantially less than the design capacity. The Regional Board last adopted waste discharge requirements for the facility in 1989.

Regional Board staff inspected the facility and reviewed the Discharger's file for the following items:

- a. Compliance with the Water Quality Control Plan, statewide plans and policies, and federal and state laws and regulations

- b. Correspondence
- c. Compliance Inspection Reports
- d. Self Monitoring Reports
- e. Active enforcement orders
- f. Significant changes in discharge volume or characteristics or in the beneficial uses of receiving waters

Upon review, staff concluded that the volume, continuity, and character of the discharge have not changed since 1989 and the wastewater system is well maintained, operated effectively, and complies with Order No. 89-84. Rather than revise Order No. 89-84, staff recommends the Discharger be regulated by Water Quality Order No. 97-10-DWQ, *Statewide General Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges to Land by Small Domestic Wastewater Treatment Systems* (General Order), adopted by the State Water Resources Control Board on November 18, 1997. The General Order states,

Discharges to land from small domestic wastewater treatment and disposal systems have certain common characteristics, such as similar constituents, concentration of constituents, disposal techniques, flow ranges and they require the same or similar treatment standards. These types of discharges are more appropriately regulated under general Waste Discharge Requirements.

The General Order implements applicable Regional Board standards, prohibitions, and requirements to protect water quality. The discharge is less than 20,000 gallons per day; therefore it is eligible for coverage by the General Order. If the discharge is regulated by the General Order, then individual Waste Discharge Requirements would not be necessary and Order No. 89-84 can be rescinded.

COMPLIANCE HISTORY

The Discharger has operated and discharged in compliance with existing waste discharge requirements for the past several years.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUMMARY

Waste discharge requirements for existing facilities are exempt from provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resource Code, Section 21100 et seq.) in accordance with Section 15301, Chapter 3, Title 14 of the California Administrative Code. Coverage using Water Quality Order No. 97-10-DWQ is recommended.

COMMENTS

By a February 19, 2004 letter, the following parties were notified of staff's recommendation to rescind Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 89-84 and approve coverage of the Discharger using the General Order:

Jerry Burger, Grant Park Development, Inc. –
Concurs with proposed action

San Luis Obispo County Environmental Health Dept. – No response

RECOMMENDATION

Rescind Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 89-84 and approve enrollment of the Discharger in the General Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges to Land by Small Domestic Wastewater Treatment Systems, Order No. 97-10-DWQ.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Existing Order No. 89-84 and Monitoring and Reporting Program

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