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

STAFF REPORT FOR REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 22, 2004

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ITEM: 14

SUBJECT: RESCISSION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS. SANTA CRUZ

COUNTY - ORDER NOS. 89-64, 89-71 AND 89-90

KEY INFORMATION

Discharger/Producer: Santa Cruz County Service Areas Nos. 5 (Canon del Sol and Sand Dollar Beach) and

20 (Trestle Beach)

Location: Santa Cruz County

Discharge Type: Secondarily treated domestic wastewater

Design: Extended aeration activated sludge, clarifiers, aerobic digestion

Disposal: Drywells

Capacity: 30,000 gallons per day (gpd) for Canon del Sol, 25,000 gpd for Sand Dollar Beach,

10,000 gpd for Trestle Beach

Recycling: None

Existing Orders: Waste Discharge Requirements Order Nos. 89-64, 89-71, and 89-90.

SUMMARY

As described in a separate item on this public meeting's agenda, staff enrolled Santa Cruz County's Service Areas Nos. 5 and 20 for coverage by the General Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges to Land by Small Domestic Wastewater Treatment Systems (Order No. 97-10-DWQ). Therefore, staff proposes to rescind the individual waste discharge requirements that have heretofore regulated the discharges.

DISCUSSION

The County of Santa Cruz owns and operates three wastewater treatment plants to serve the residential developments of Canon del Sol and Sand Dollar Beach (County Service Area No. 5) and Trestle Beach (County Service Area No. 20). As described in detail in this meeting's agenda report on Low Threat and General Order enrollments, the treatment plant and disposal systems comply with the provisions of Order No. 97-10-DWQ. The Order comprises waste discharge requirements for small domestic plants with flows less than 20,000 gallons per day that dispose to land.

Order 97-10-DWQ replaces the waste discharge requirements in the existing individual Orders noted above. Order 97-10-DWQ's requirements and limitations are similar to those included in the individual Orders, and staff revised the Monitoring and Reporting Program to ensure adequate effluent monitoring continues. Therefore, the individual WDR Orders should be rescinded.

RECOMMENDATION

Rescind Waste Discharge Requirements Orders No. 89-64, 89-71, and 89-90

COMMENTS

Santa Cruz County Environmental health services – No response

ATTACHMENTS

 Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 89-64.

- 2. Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 89-
- 3. Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 89-90.

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