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

## STAFF REPORT FOR REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 11, 2005

Prepared on December 30, 2004

ITEM: 18

SUBJECT: Recision of Order No. 90-22, Waste Discharge Requirements for Miranda

Mushroom Farm, Inc., Monterey County (Currently Sunrise Mushroom, Inc.)

and Cleanup or Abatement Order 97-17

## **KEY INFORMATION**

Discharger: Sunrise Mushroom, Inc.
Location: 231 Jensen Road, Watsonville

Discharge Type: Mushroom Farm Wastewater (Wash water and compost leachate)

Discharge Volume: 8000 GPD
Treatment: Pond treatment

Recycling: Wastewater used onsite for dust control.

Existing Order: 90-22 and 97-16

#### SUMMARY

The Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coast Region, adopted Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 90-22 on April 13, 1990. Order No. 90-22 currently regulates the discharge of mushroom farm water from Sunrise Mushroom, Inc. According to the Order, the mushroom wash water and compost leachate is to be treated in settling ponds. The settled wash water would then be utilized for dust control. Boiler blow down and water softener regenerant is discharged to a concrete evaporation pond.

On October 8, 2004 the Regional Board issued a Failure to Submit Monitoring Report notice to Sunrise Mushroom. In response to that letter Regional Board staff were notified that the Sunrise Mushroom Farm facility regulated by Order No. 90-22 is no longer operating and there are no plans for it to operate in the future. Regional Board staff have verified that the facility is no longer operating.

Sunrise Mushroom, Inc. is aware that if they decide to discharge again they will have to notify the Board and submit the appropriate ROWD application.

Since Sunrise Mushroom, Inc. is no longer discharging wastewater at the facility discussed above, Waste Discharge Requirements Order No.

90-22, are no longer appropriate and should be rescinded.

#### **COMPLIANCE HISTORY**

The Regional Board issued a Cleanup or Abatement Order addressing facility operation and nuisance conditions on June 25, 1997. In a letter dated August 31, 1999, the Discharger documented compliance with the CAO and requested its recision.

Since Sunrise Mushroom, Inc is no longer discharging at this site and compliance has been achieved, Cleanup or Abatement Order No 97-16 should be rescinded.

### **COMMENTS AND RESPONSES**

Sunrise Mushroom, Inc. Concurrence.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Rescind Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 90-22 and Cleanup or Abatement Order No. 97-16.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 90-
- Monitoring and Reporting Program No. 90-22
   Cleanup or Abatement Order 97-16

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