STATE OF CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL COAST REGION

STAFF REPORT FOR REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 16-17, 2023 Prepared on January 30, 2023 ITEM NUMBER: 10

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ACTION: Informational

SUMMARY

This staff report summarizes Central Coast Water Board enforcement actions taken from July 1, 2022 through November 30, 2022.

ENFORCEMENT REPORT

Attachment 1 of this staff report includes the Enforcement Report consisting of Tables 1 through 6. Tables 1 through 5 summarize Central Coast Water Board enforcement actions taken from July 1, 2022 through November 30, 2022, and include final administrative civil liability (ACL) orders (Table 1), expedited payment program letters (Table 2), cleanup and abatement orders (Table 3), time schedule orders (Table 4), and notices of violation covering various Central Coast Water Board programs (Table 5).

Table 6 in Attachment 1 summarizes alleged violations reported from May 1, 2022 through September 30, 2022. Central Coast Water Board staff uses the California Integrated Water Quality System (CIWQS) and the Storm Water Multiple Application and Report Tracking System (SMARTS) to track Central Coast Water Board data, including violations and enforcement actions. Central Coast Water Board staff are currently reviewing the alleged violations that have not already been addressed to assess priorities for potential future enforcement.

A general description of the different types of enforcement actions Central Coast Water Board staff may take or recommend are provided in Attachment 2. Abbreviations used throughout the Enforcement Report are defined in Attachment 3. More detailed descriptions of each type of enforcement action are provided in the State Water Resources Control Board's (State Water Board) <u>2017 Water Quality Enforcement</u> <u>Policy</u>.¹

CONCLUSION

It is the enforcement team's overall goal to use the <u>Central Coast Water Board</u> <u>enforcement priorities</u>² to enhance the Water Boards' ability to focus and leverage its enforcement resources and to achieve the general deterrence needed to encourage the regulated community to anticipate, identify, and correct potential non-compliance issues before they occur. Central Coast Water Board enforcement staff will continue to prioritize violations and assist program staff with enforcement cases guided by the enforcement priorities and in alignment with the Board's direction to implement the human right to water, address water quality impacts in Underrepresented Communities, and build climate change resiliency.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Enforcement Report
- 2. Enforcement Action Descriptions
- 3. Enforcement Report Abbreviations

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¹ State Water Board, 2017 Water Quality Enforcement Policy, effective October 5, 2017, <u>https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_decisions/adopted_orders/resolutions/2017/040</u> <u>417_9_final%20adopted%20policy.pdf</u>

² Central Coast Water Board enforcement priorities are at the following web address: <u>https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/water_issues/programs/enforcement/</u> and the staff report that describes the annual update of the Central Coast Water Board enforcement program priorities is available at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralcoast/board_info/agendas/2021/oct/item9_stfrpt