



Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

concerning

AMENDING WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR

EL DORADO COUNTY UNION MINE SEPTAGE/LEACHATE TREATMENT FACILITY EL DORADO COUNTY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) will consider a Tentative Amending Order to amend Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) Order R5-2006-0019-001 for El Dorado County (hereafter Discharger), Union Mine Septage/Leachate Treatment Facility (Facility) at a public meeting scheduled for:

DATE: 11/12 December 2025

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

11020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200,

Rancho Cordova, CA, 95670

The date, time, and location of the public meeting may change after this Notice is issued. A Final Agenda for the meeting will be made available at least 10 days before the meeting. The Final Agenda will provide the location and format of the meeting, the anticipated date that the proposed Order will be considered, and the anticipated Order of all agenda items; however, the Board may consider agenda items out of their listed Order. The agenda materials may also include staff revisions to the proposed Order.

The Final Agenda, and any information concerning changes to the date, time, location, or format of the public meeting, will be posted on the Central Valley Water Board's website, Central Valley Water Board's website at

(https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board info/meetings/)

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and will be emailed to all persons that sign up for the GovDelivery subscription list at

(https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/reg5_subscribe.html).

The meeting will be webcast live on YouTube. A weblink for viewing will be provided in the Final Agenda. Any person who would like to participate in the meeting, but who is unable to attend in-person, may participate remotely via video or teleconference. Instructions for doing so will be provided in the Final Agenda for the meeting.

• The hearing facilities will be accessible to people with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Mindy Bunn at (916) 464-4839 or Mindy.Bunn@waterboards.ca.gov at least five working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922. To request oral interpretation or sign language services, please submit your request at least 10 business days before the meeting by calling (916) 341-5254 or e-mailing opp-languageservices@waterboards.ca.gov.

Opportunities to Comment

The Central Valley Water Board will consider oral and written comments on the proposed Order before it votes on whether to adopt the Order.

Written comments or evidence concerning the Order must be submitted by 5:00 pm on 3 November 2025. Please email any comments to centralvalleysacramento@waterboards.ca.gov and cc: scott.armstrong@waterboards.ca.gov with the subject line, "Comments on Amending WDRs for Union Mine Septage/Leachate Treatment Facility." While email is preferred, written comments may also be mailed to the following address:

Attention: Scott Armstrong.

Senior Engineering Geologist

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The Board Chair may refuse to admit any comments or evidence received after the comment period unless the submitting party provides a reasonable explanation for why the submission is late and the Board Chair determines that admission of the late submission would not prejudice any other party.

Oral comments concerning the Order must be presented at the scheduled public meeting. Interested parties are generally allowed up to three minutes each to provide their comments. Certain **designated parties** may provide longer comments and have

the right to call and examine witnesses, introduce exhibits, cross-examine opposing witnesses, impeach any witness, and to rebut the evidence against him or her. The party subject to the proposed Order is a designated party. Any other party may request recognition as a designated party by submitting a written statement of how they are directly affected by the discharge(s) to be regulated and why they would like to be considered a designated party. Such requests must be submitted to Central Valley Water no later than **5:00 p.m. on 3 November 2025**. Instructions on how to provide oral comments will be included in the Final Agenda for the meeting.

Proposed Order

The Facility is regulated under R5-2006-0019-001, which was amended by Order R5-2021-0010 on 18 February 2021. The Facility receives Class II leachate generated from the Union Mine Landfill, condensate generated during extraction of landfill gas, and septage and portable toilet wastewater generated throughout El Dorado County.

Amending Order R5-2021-0010 states that the monthly average inflow to the Facility shall not exceed 20,000 gallon per day (gpd). However, the Discharger may submit a request to the Executive Officer, and upon approval, the Executive Officer may authorize increasing the flow limit up to the disposal capacity of 22,000 gpd.

On 18 June 2025, the Discharger submitted a Report of Waste Discharge to request the influent flow limit increase from 20,000 to 22,000 gpd as a monthly average and proposed to install an effluent zinc reduction system to meet the effluent limit. The WDRs Order R5-2006-0019-001 will be amended to increase the influent flow limit to 22,000 gpd as a monthly average and to include the proposed zinc reduction system. The proposed Tentative Amending Order is attached.

To conserve paper and reduce mailing costs, a paper copy of the proposed Order will be sent only to the Discharger. All others may access a digital copy of the Order on the Central Valley Water Board's <u>Tentative Orders website</u>, under the heading, "Discharger-Specific Order for Future Board Meetings," at

(https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board decisions/tentative Orders/).

Copies of the proposed Order and associated documents may also be obtained by visiting the office of the Central Valley Water Board at 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California, 95670-6114 or by contacting the Board by phone at (916) 464-3291, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Questions concerning the proposed Order or anything in this Notice should be directed to Lixin Fu at (916) 464-4689 or lixin.fu@waterboards.ca.gov.

Other Information

The Procedures Governing Central Valley Water Board Meetings

(https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/)

may be found in California Code of Regulations, title 23, division 3, chapter 1.5 (starting with section 647) and are available upon request.

Additional information on meeting procedures can be found on the Central Valley Water Board's Meeting Procedures webpage at

(http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml).

Hearings before the Central Valley Water Board are <u>not</u> conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq.

All meeting procedure information is also available on request to any one of the Central Valley Water Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Mindy Bunn at (916) 464-4839 or Mindy.Bunn@waterboards.ca.gov.

John T. Murphy, PG #9524, CHG #1092 Supervising Engineering Geologist Permitting-Title 27 Section Manager