

California Regional Water Quality Control Board

Los Angeles Region



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Mr. Dan Pfeifer Utility Manager City of San Buenaventura P.O. Box 99 Ventura, CA 93002-0099

Dear Mr. Pfeifer:

REVISIONS AND RESPONSE TO COMMENTS TO 10/23/2007 REVISED TENTATIVE WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS (WDRs) AND NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT, CITY OF SAN BUENAVENTURA, VENTURA WATER RECLAMATION FACILITY (NPDES NO. CA0053651, CI NO. 1822)

Reference is made to our letter dated October 23, 2007 which transmitted revised tentative Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) and a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination . System (NPDES) permit and Time Schedule Order (TSO) to discharge tertiary treated wastewater to the Santa Clara River Estuary.

The following revisions are made to the tentative Order dated October 23, 2007 and/or the Response to Comments:

- 1. The interim copper limit and relevant findings have been deleted from the tentative Order;
- 2. The effective Order will be made effective on the date of adoption;
- 3. The statement "There will be a Workshop held at the December 6, 2007 Board Hearing in order to allow Resource Agencies and Interested Parties to present their concerns regarding the Enhancement and Endangered Species issues. The Board will ultimately have to decide whether the discharge from the Facility enhances the Estuary, the tidewater goby, and steelhead habitat, and whether the discharge should be allowed to continue." has been added into Responses to Comment for NOAA's comment No. 1 and City of San Buenaventura's comments No. 14 on Page 3/57 and 8/57, respectively; and,
- 4. Responses to Comment for City of San Buenaventura's comment Summary on Page 29/57, has been revised as "See Response to Comment No.1 to NOAA."

Attached please find the following:

1. Revised "Response to Comments" dated November 6, 2007, which replace Pages 3/57, 8/57, and 29/57 dated October 23, 2007; and,

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2. Regional Board staff's "Response to Comments" made to an additional comment letter dated November 7, 2007 from Heal the Bay.

These documents and the entire revised Order dated November 8, 2007 can be viewed at the Regional Board's web address at

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/html/permits/tentative_order/Individual/Ventura/Ventura.html.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (213) 576-6720 or Don Tsai at (213) 576-6665.

Sincerely,

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