## CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD SAN DIEGO REGION

## **TENTATIVE ORDER NO. R9-2024-0056**

## AN ORDER RESCINDING ORDER NO. 93-43, WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR WOODCHUCK CAMPGROUND, RIVERSIDE COUNTY

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board), finds that:

- 1. Order No. 93-43, Waste Discharge Requirements for Woodchuck Campground, Riverside County (Order No. 93-43), established requirements for the discharge of domestic wastewater from an onsite wastewater treatment system (OWTS) serving the Kkottongnae Retreat Camp (formerly Woodchuck Campground). The Kkottongnae Retreat Camp OWTS consists of three septic tanks, an extended aeration basin, a pump chamber, and a leach field. The Kkottongnae Retreat Camp OWTS collects wastewater from a dormitory, two restrooms, a kitchen, and a laundry facility. The Kkottongnae Retreat Camp has an RV dump station, that connects to a holding tank, separate from the Kkottongnae Retreat Camp OWTS. The Kkottongnae Retreat Camp is located at 37885 Woodchuck Road, Temecula in Riverside County. The San Diego Water Board adopted Order No. 93-43 on October 18, 1993.
- 2. Order No. 93-43 must be replaced to ensure that the discharge is regulated consistent with current state policy and requirements. Discharges from small OWTS such as these have certain common characteristics, such as similar constituents, concentrations of constituents, disposal techniques, and flow ranges, and they require the same or similar treatment standards. The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) issued Order WQ 2014-0153-DWQ, General Waste Discharge Requirements for Small Domestic Wastewater Treatment Systems (General Order), to regulate these types of discharges consistently throughout the state. Enrollment of the Kkottongnae Retreat Camp OWTS in the General Order will provide a level of water quality protection equal to that provided in Order No. 93-43.
- 3. The discharge from the Kkottongnae Retreat Camp OWTS is less than 100,000 gallons per day and is eligible for enrollment in the General Order based on an inspection by San Diego Water Board staff on May 4, 2021. As such, the discharge from the Kkottongnae Retreat Camp OWTS is more appropriately regulated under the General Order than individual waste discharge requirements.
- 4. Kkottongnae Incorporated (Discharger) notified the San Diego Water Board on June 24, 2002, that ownership of Woodchuck Campground transferred to the Discharger on June 1, 2002. Kkottongnae Incorporated also notified the Board that the facility name changed from Woodchuck Campground to Kkottongnae Retreat Camp. The San Diego Water Board will issue a Notice of Applicability (NOA) to the Discharger,

for enrollment of the Kkottongnae Retreat Camp OWTS in the General Order prior to the board meeting on August 14, 2024. The NOA's effective date of enrollment in the General Order coincides with the adoption date of this rescission Order.

5. Adoption of Order No. R9-2024-0056 is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA, Public Resources Code, section 21000 et seq.). Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 14, sections 15060(c)(2) and 15061(b)(3), the action to rescind Order No. 93-43 will not have potentially significant adverse effects on the environment because the discharges that were regulated by Order No. 93-43 are now regulated under the General Order. In addition, adoption of Order No. R9-2024-0056 is exempt from CEQA pursuant to categorical exemptions listed in title 14, section 15301 (ongoing or existing projects).

The State Water Board considered the environmental impacts associated with the adoption of the General Order and prepared an Initial Study in accordance with title 14, section 15063. Analysis in the Initial Study and early consultation with responsible and trustee agencies did not identify any significant impacts on the environment. Therefore, a Negative Declaration was prepared. The State Water Board adopted the Negative Declaration on September 23, 2014, through Resolution No. 2014-0054, California Environmental Quality Act, Negative Declaration, General Waste Discharge Requirements for Small Domestic Wastewater Treatment Systems. The General Order will provide a level of water quality protection equal to that provided in Order No. 93-43.

6. The San Diego Water Board heard and considered all comments pertaining to the adoption of Order No. R9-2024-0056 in a public meeting on August 14, 2024.

## IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Order No. 93-43 is rescinded.

I, David W. Gibson, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region, on August 14, 2024.

