



San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board

March 17, 2015 CIWQS Place ID 201157 (JHG)

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OG Property Owner, LLC Attn: Scott Goldie 101 Wilder Road Orinda, CA 94563

Also sent via email: Goldie@brooks-street.com

Subject: Administrative Civil Liability Complaint No. R2-2015-1003

> for allegedly discharging 379,000 gallons of storm water polluted by sediments to San Pablo Creek, Orinda, Contra Costa County

Dear Mr. Smith:

Complaint **R2-2015-1003** (Complaint) enclosed with this letter issues an administrative civil liability (ACL) against OG Property Owner, LLC in the amount of \$753,000. This liability is based on allegations that OG Property Owner, LLC violated section V.A.2 Narrative Effluent Limitations of the NPDES General Permit for Storm Water Associated with Construction and Land Disturbance Activities, Order No. 2009-0009-DWQ, by discharging an estimated 379,000 gallons of storm water polluted by sediments to San Pablo Creek. The Discharger is subject to a civil liability pursuant to California Water Code (Water Code) sections 13323 and 13385.

OG Property Owner, LLC can respond to the Complaint by appearing before the Regional Water Board at a public hearing to contest the matter or by signing a waiver to pursue other options.

1. The Complaint can be contested before the Regional Water Board at the following meeting:

Date/Time: June 10, 2015, commencing at 9:00 a.m.

Place: First Floor Auditorium, Elihu Harris State Building

1515 Clay Street, Oakland

At this meeting, the Regional Water Board will consider whether to impose administrative civil liability (as proposed in the Complaint or for a different amount), decline the administrative civil liability, or refer the matter to the Attorney General for judicial enforcement at a public hearing.

Please refer to the enclosed Public Notice and Hearing Procedure for the Complaint and the ACL Fact Sheet for additional information about the Regional Water Board's process, hearing procedure, and important deadlines (for submitting comments or evidence, obtaining designated party status, waiving or postponing a hearing, making objections or rebuttals to evidence, etc.).

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- 2. The public hearing that has been scheduled (above) can be waived to pursue one of the following options:
 - a. Pay the liability as proposed in the Complaint;
 - b. Request more time and postpone the date of the public hearing;
 - c. Promptly engage in settlement discussions with the Regional Water Board Prosecution Team;
 - d. Propose a Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP), where partial payment of the penalty may be deferred towards completion of an environmental project (see the enclosed SEP Policy for more information on such projects).

The Waiver, attached to the Complaint, describes these options in further detail, and it also provides the deadline for submitting an SEP proposal (if this option is selected). To pursue one of these options, the Waiver must be signed, dated, and received by Tamarin Austin of the Regional Water Board Advisory Team with a copy to the Prosecution Team contact listed below no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 16, 2015. It is at the discretion of the Regional Water Board Advisory Team to either accept or deny a waiver request.

For more information about SEPs and the project selection and proposal approval process, please contact Athena Honore of the San Francisco Estuary Partnership (SFEP) at (510) 622-2325 or ahonore@waterboards.ca.gov. To see examples of current and completed projects, visit SFEP's website: http://www.sfestuary.org/our-projects/stewardship/sep/.

If you wish to communicate directly with the Prosecution Team regarding the Complaint, please contact Jack Gregg at (510) 622-2437 or <u>Jack.Gregg@waterboards.ca.gov</u>.

Please refer to the letterhead for our mailing address and fax number.

Sincerely,

Thomas E. Mumley Assistant Executive Officer

Enclosures: ACL Complaint R2-2015-1003

Waiver Form for ACL Complaint R2-2015-1003

Public Notice and Hearing Procedure for ACL Complaint R2-2015-1003

Administrative Civil Liability Fact Sheet

State Water Resources Control Board Policy on Supplemental Environmental

Projects, February 3, 2009.

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