



## State Water Resources Control Board

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### NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Investigation ID: 16975

#### **DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS INVESTIGATION OF MENDOCINO COUNTY ASSESSOR PARCEL NUMBER (APN) 154-190-06-00, 154-190-07-00 AND 154-190-08-00**

Aaron Weinberg,

On May 8, 2025, staff from the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), Division of Water Rights (Division), in coordination with state and local partner agencies conducted a search warrant investigation of the properties referenced above (Property). The purpose of the investigation was to observe the diversion and use of water occurring on the Property and to evaluate potential impacts to the watershed.

You are being contacted because you were identified as the property owner of the Mendocino County APNs identified above where you are allegedly diverting and using water for cannabis cultivation.

During the investigation, Division staff observed California Water Code (WC) and State Water Board, Cannabis Cultivation Policy (Policy) violations. Enclosed is the Division's Inspection Report (Report) of your Property that includes Division staff observations, alleged violations and the corrective actions necessary for compliance with the WC and the State Water Board's Policy. The enclosed Report constitutes your first notice of the alleged violations, and this matter requires your immediate attention. The information below is a summary of the alleged violations included in the Report.

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The State Water Board retains the authority and discretion to take enforcement action based on the facts and allegations contained herein and you may be subject to further

enforcement action before the State Water Board. Therefore, this matter requires your immediate attention. You should follow all staff recommended corrective actions described in the enclosed Report or submit a response indicating any course of action you intend to take or have taken, including an implementation schedule, and/or photo documentation that demonstrates your compliance.

If you have questions concerning the Report, please contact me by phone at (916) 917-3867, or by email at [Zyruss.Edjan@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Zyruss.Edjan@waterboards.ca.gov). Written correspondence can be provided and addressed to the following address: State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Water Rights, P.O. Box 100, Sacramento, CA. 95812-0100, Attention: Zyruss Edjan.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY:

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**Enclosures:**

Division of Water Rights Inspection Report dated May 8, 2025

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