

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION
11020 Sun Center Drive #200, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
concerning

**WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS (WDR)
NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES)
PERMIT NO. CA0083348
AND TIME SCHEDULE ORDER
for
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
CENTER FOR AQUATIC BIOLOGY AND AQUACULTURE
YOLO COUNTY**

The University of California, Davis (Discharger), owns and operates the Center for Aquatic Biology and Aquaculture (Facility). The Facility consists of two fish research facilities, the Aquatic Center and the Putah Creek Facility. Wastewater from the Aquatic Center is directed to a settling pond, known as Jamison Pond prior to discharge into the South Fork of Putah Creek, within the Sacramento River Watershed. Wastewater from the Putah Creek Facility is circulated through two settling ponds, known as Beaver Pond and Curve Pond, and then also discharged to the South Fork of Putah Creek.

The Central Valley Water Board will consider renewal of the Discharger's existing NPDES Permit (WDR Order R5-2006-0126) and a new Time Schedule Order. The enclosed proposed NPDES Permit includes new and/or more stringent effluent limitations for electrical conductivity, iron and chromium (VI). The proposed Time Schedule Order includes a new time schedule for the Discharger to comply with the chromium (VI) effluent limitations.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Water Board meeting scheduled for:

DATE: 7/8 June 2012
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
PLACE: Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board Room
11020 Sun Center Drive, #200
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

- University of California, Davis

Only designated parties will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to introduce exhibits; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. All other persons wishing to testify or provide comments are interested persons and not designated parties. Such interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **27 March 2012**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and, in particular, how the person is directly affected by the discharge.

The proposed NPDES Permit and Time Schedule Order were issued on 24 February 2012. Persons wishing to comment on the noticed hearing item must submit testimony, evidence, and/or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than 5:00 p.m. on **27 March 2012**. Written evidence or comments submitted after 5:00 p.m. on **27 March 2012** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Central Valley Water Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Board Chair.

Anyone having questions regarding the proposed NPDES Permit and Time Schedule Order should contact Mr. Josh Palmer at (916) 464-4674 or jpalmer@waterboards.ca.gov. Interested parties may download the proposed NPDES Permit and related documents from the Central Valley Water Board's Internet website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/. Copies of these documents may also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley Water Board's office at 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. **The final meeting agenda will be available at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/ at least 10 days before the meeting. The agenda will provide the specific date the Board Meeting will be held for this item, indicate the anticipated order of all agenda items, and may include staff revisions to the proposed order(s).**

The procedures governing Central Valley Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Central Valley Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/. Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Central Valley Water Board's website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml or by contacting any one of the Central Valley Water Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 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.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who may be interested in this matter.



KENNETH D. LANDAU, Assistant Executive Officer

24 February 2012