

Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region

Amendments to the Water Quality Control Plans for
the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River Basins and the Tulare Lake Basin
Regarding Onsite Wastewater System Implementation Program

Response to Comments

The Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (Central Valley Water Board) provided draft amendments and a staff report dated December 2013 for public comment from 20 December 2013 to 14 February 2014. The following entities submitted written comments during the public comment period:

1. Terrie Mitchell, Manager of Legislative and Regulatory Affairs, Sacramento Area Sewer District
2. Cheryl Hawkins, Supervisor Environmental Specialist, Sacramento County Environmental Management Department
3. Tera Chumley, Senior Management Consultant, Stanislaus County Environmental Review Committee

Following is a summary of the comments and the responses to the comments:

Terrie Mitchell, Manager of Legislative and Regulatory Affairs, Sacramento Area Sewer District

1. Comment.

The draft amendment language inadvertently omits reference to “replacement” onsite wastewater treatment systems and should be edited as follows:

“The OWTS Policy specifies criteria for existing, replacement, and new onsite systems and establishes a conditional waiver of waste discharge requirements for onsite systems that comply with the policy.”

Response.

The Central Valley Water Board thanks the Sacramento Area Sewer District for providing comments. The proposed amendment has been edited as suggested.

Cheryl Hawkins, Supervisor Environmental Specialist, Sacramento County Environmental Management Department

2. Comment.

The Sacramento County Environmental Management Department concurs with the comments submitted by the Sacramento Area Sewer District.

Response.

The Central Valley Water Board thanks the Sacramento County Environmental Management Department for providing comments. The proposed amendment has been edited as suggested.

Tera Chumley, Senior Management Consultant, Stanislaus County Environmental Review Committee

3. Comment.

The Stanislaus County Environmental Review Committee has no comments at this time.

Response.

The Central Valley Water Board thanks the Stanislaus County Environmental Review Committee for reviewing the proposed amendment.