



Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

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CANNABIS REGULATORY PROGRAM
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Dear Responsible Party:

NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY, WATER QUALITY ORDER WQ-2017-0023-DWQ, JASON HILLENBRAND, SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

Table with 2 columns: Label (Site Name, Site Address, APN(s)) and Value (Starlight Farms, 5423 Santa Rita Road, Lompoc, CA 93436, 099-110-061 099-110-060)

Jason Hillenbrand (hereafter "Discharger") submitted information through the State Water Resources Control Board's (State Water Board's) online portal on November 15, 2018, for discharges of waste associated with cannabis cultivation related activities.

The Discharger is responsible for all the applicable requirements in the Policy, General Order, and this Notice of Applicability (NOA).

1. FACILITY AND DISCHARGE DESCRIPTION

The information submitted by the Discharger states the disturbed area is greater than 1 acre (43,560 square feet), no portion of the disturbed area is within the setback requirements, no portion of the disturbed area is located on a slope greater than 30 percent, and the cannabis cultivation is greater than 1 acre.

Therefore, the cannabis cultivation activities are classified as Tier 2, low risk.

2. SITE-SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

The Policy and General Order are available on the Internet at <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/cannabis>. The Discharger shall ensure that all site operating personnel know, understand, and comply with the requirements contained in the Policy, General Order, this NOA, and the Monitoring and Reporting Program (MRP, Attachment B of the General Order). Note that the General Order contains standard provisions, general requirements, and prohibitions that apply to all cannabis cultivation activities.

The application requires the Discharger to self-certify that all applicable best practicable treatment or control (BPTC) measures are being implemented, or will be implemented by the onset of the winter period (November 15 - April 1), following the enrollment date. Dischargers that cannot implement all applicable BPTC measures by the onset of the winter period following their enrollment date shall submit to the Central Coast Water Board a *Site Management Plan* that includes a time schedule and scope of work for use by the Central Coast Water Board in developing a compliance schedule as described in Attachment A of the General Order.

3. TECHNICAL REPORT REQUIREMENTS

The following technical reports shall be submitted by the Discharger as described below:

1. A *Site Management Plan*, by February 12, 2019, consistent with the requirements of General Order Provision C.1.a., and Attachment A, Section 5. Attachment D of the General Order provides guidance on the contents of the *Site Management Plan*.
2. A *Nitrogen Management Plan* must be submitted by February 12, 2019, consistent with the requirements of General Order Provision C.1.d., and Attachment A, Section 5. Attachment D of the General Order provides guidance on the contents of the *Nitrogen Management Plan*.
3. A *Site Closure Report* must be submitted 90 days prior to permanently ending cannabis cultivation activities and seeking to rescind coverage under the General Order. The *Site Closure Report* must be consistent with the requirements of General Order Provision C.1.e., and Attachment A, Section 5. Attachment D of the General Order provides guidance on the contents of the *Site Closure Report*.

Technical reports shall be submitted electronically to the Central Coast Regional Water Board office at the following email address: CentralCoast.Cannabis@waterboards.ca.gov and shall include "Cannabis General Order" in the email subject line and your WDID Number and the Cannabis General Order Application Number.

4. MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM

The Discharger shall comply with the Monitoring and Reporting Program (MRP). Attachment B of the General Order provides guidance on the contents for the annual reporting requirement.

Annual reports shall be submitted to the Central Coast Water Board by March 1 following the year being monitored. The Discharger shall not implement any changes to this MRP unless and until a revised MRP is issued by the Central Coast Water Board's Executive Officer, the State Water Board Division of Water Quality Deputy Director, or the State Water Board Chief Deputy Director.

5. ANNUAL FEE

According to the information submitted, the discharge is classified as Tier 2, low risk with the current annual fee assessed at \$1000. The fee is due and payable on an annual basis until coverage under this General Order is formally terminated. You will receive an annual invoice. To terminate coverage, the Discharger must submit a Notice of Termination, including a *Site Closure Report* at least 90 days prior to termination of activities and include a final MRP report.

6. TERMINATION OF COVERAGE UNDER THE GENERAL ORDER & REGIONAL WATER BOARD CONTACT INFORMATION

Cannabis cultivators that propose to terminate coverage under the Conditional Waiver or General Order must submit a Notice of Termination (NOT). The NOT must include a *Site Closure Report* (see Technical Report Requirements above), and Dischargers enrolled under the General Order must also submit a final monitoring report. The Central Coast Water Board reserves the right to inspect the site before approving an NOT. Attachment C includes the NOT form and Attachment D of the General Order provides guidance on the contents of the *Site Closure Report*.

If the Discharger cannot comply with the General Order or will be unable to implement an applicable BPTC measure contained in Attachment A by the onset of the winter period each year, the Discharger shall notify the Central Coast Water Board staff contact by telephone at (805) 549-6194 so that a site-specific compliance schedule can be developed.

All monitoring reports, submittals, discharge notifications, and questions regarding compliance and enforcement should be directed to James Bishop at CentralCoast.Cannabis@waterboards.ca.gov or (805) 594-6194.

Sincerely,

for John M. Robertson
Executive Officer

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