

**San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District
Central REGION HEARING BOARD MEETING**

Central Region Office Governing Board Room
1990 E. Gettysburg Ave., Fresno, CA 93726

ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES

Wednesday, March 18, 2015

Meeting held in the Central Region Office (Fresno)

1. Call Meeting to Order

The Chair, Jerry Boren, called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

2. Roll Call

Jerry Boren (Chair) - Engineer	Present
Daniel Hartwig – Public	Present
Gerry Mulligan – Public	Present
Loraine Goodwin – Medical	Present

Staff Present:

Central Region (Fresno): Clay Bishop, Supervising Air Quality Specialist; Annette Williamson, District Counsel; Patrick Houlihan, Senior Air Quality Specialist; Carol Flores, Operations and Program Support Supervisor

3. Approve Minutes of February 18, 2015

The Chair asked if there were any comments regarding the Minutes for February 18, 2015. Hearing no comments, the Chair declared the minutes were approved as submitted.

4. Public Hearing

The Chair swore in all those present to testify for all matters.

<u>Docket No.</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Company Name</u>
A. C-14-07X	Extension	Fresno-Clovis Regional Wastewater Reclamation Facility 5607 West Jensen Avenue Fresno, CA 93706

Petitioners: Kevin Norgaard, Orlando Gonzalez and Ray Arthur

Mr. Houlihan presented the Staff Report.

RWRF has requested an extension of the previously granted regular variance from the applicable requirements of District Rules 2070, 2201, and 2520, in addition to the applicable conditions of the subject permits. The requested variance period would be

from April 1, 2015, until July 31, 2015. If granted, the variance would allow RWRF to bypass the Headworks building and scrubbers to conduct the required repairs.

Mr. Mulligan requested clarifications on when excess emissions are calculated for mitigation fees. Mr. Houlihan explained excess emissions begin calculating after 2,001 lbs. but the fee begins with the first pound.

Mr. Hartwig requested the original dates of the variance. Mr. Norgaard responded the original variance was for 211 days from September 1, 2014 through March 31, 2015.

Mr. Boren asked if there was a maximum number of days on a variance or a maximum number of times a variance can be petitioned for. Mr. Houlihan explained the District requires increments of progress reports if the variances exceeds one year. Mr. Boren asked if the petitioner can request another variance if the work is not completed. Mr. Houlihan responded affirmatively.

Mr. Mulligan requested an update on the project from the petitioners. Mr. Norgaard provided an update and added the work should be completed by May 15, 2015, as there is a \$30,000 per day cost for motivation while in bypass mode.

Dr. Goodwin asked the petitioners their experience with wet wipes. Mr. Norgaard stated there was no impact at the waste water treatment plant but there is a problem at the lift stations in town with clogging. He explained the wipes gather and create a big ball but they eventually dissolve.

Mr. Mulligan asked what impact the drought has made on the operations. Mr. Norgaard stated flows are down dramatically.

Ms. Williamson requested more information on the cause of delay and reason for extension. Mr. Norgaard explained the design builder took longer than expected due to necessary support walls and more than expected work on the design and construction than previously thought.

Public Comments: None

Having decided the petition has met the required findings, on motion of Mr. Mulligan and seconded by Mr. Hartwig, unanimously passed, the petitioner was granted an extension on the variance.

5. Emergency Variance

The Central Region Hearing Board did not hear nor grant any emergency variances since the February 18, 2015, hearing.

6. Public Comments

None

7. Hearing Board Member Comments

Mr. Boren requested the hard copy agenda packets be mailed. He added he writes notes on the hard copy when reviewing and is not able to do that on an electronic file.

8. New Business
None

9. Next Scheduled Meeting
The next scheduled meeting is April 15, 2015. The meeting will be held in the Central Region Office (Fresno) in the Governing Board room.

10. Adjourn
The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:23 a.m.