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SUBJECT: Visalia Medical Clinic, Inc., Tulare County

BOARD ACTION: Consideration of Order Rescinding Time Schedule Order and NPDES Permit

BACKGROUND: On 21 October 2005, the Regional Board adopted Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) Order No. R5-2005-0147 and the companion Time Schedule Order (TSO) No. R5-2005-0148 authorizing Visalia Medical Clinic, Inc. to discharge up to 240,000 gallons per day of non-contact cooling water from air conditioning units to Mill Creek, a water of the United States. The TSO required the Discharger to develop, submit, and implement methods to comply with a new chlorine effluent limitation in WDRs Order No. R5-2005-0147 by 23 October 2006.

On 15 March 2007, the Discharger's attorney submitted a written request to rescind Order Nos. R5-2005-0147 and R5-2005-0148. A cooling tower has been installed and became operational on 26 February 2007, thereby eliminating the discharge to Mill Creek. Therefore, it is appropriate to rescind both the WDRs and the TSO.

On 11 June 2008, staff circulated for public comment a proposed Order that rescinds Order Nos. R5-2005-0147 and R5-2005-0148. Comments concerning removal of the outfall to Mill Creek were received from Kaweah Delta Water Conservation District (KDWCD). However, KDWCD did not object to the proposed Order.

ISSUES: No known issues. Written comments are not due until after completion of this agenda material. If additional comments are received, Staff's response to those comments will be provided to the Regional Water Board and interested parties as soon as possible.

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