Ventura County Agricultural Irrigated Lands Group – Conditional Waiver Compliance Summary				RA # 15
APN			VCAILG ID#	
Your property is withi	n the Bar	dsdale Re	esponsibility Area	
<b>Monitoring Beacon Site:</b>	S03D_BA	ARDS (Bard	lsdale Avenue upstream of Santa	a Clara River)
<b>Bardsdale Responsibility</b> A	Area Water	Quality Is	sues	

To comply with the Agricultural Conditional Waiver, the Ventura County Agriculture Irrigated Lands Group (VCAILG) developed a Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP) to address continuing water quality issues found during sampling. During WQMP development, Ventura County was divided into "Responsibility Areas" according to subwatersheds, drainage areas, crop similarities, and additional total maximum daily load (TMDL) requirements. You are accountable for implementing the appropriate agricultural Best Management Practices (BMPs) to address the water quality issues in your Responsibility Area:

- Bacteria (*E. coli*)
- Legacy Pesticides (organochlorine pesticides, e.g., DDT and chlordane)
- Current Use Pesticides (organophosphorus and pyrethroid pesticides, e.g., chlorpyrifos and bifenthrin)
- Toxicity

## **Required BMPs Survey Participation**

VCAILG members must complete a BMPs Survey for each parcel to document implementation of agricultural BMPs. The purpose of the survey is to report increased practices to protect and improve water quality related to the issues described above. Three surveys were conducted during this Conditional Waiver term. New requirements will be specified in the next waiver iteration.

## Required Documentation to be Kept On Site\*

\*Electronic or digital documents okay.

Documentation provided by this handout:

- VCAILG contact information: vcailg@farmbureauvc.com or (805) 289-0155
- Link to VCAILG Water Quality Management Plan www.farmbureauvc.com/issues/water-issues/water-quality/management

*Documentation to be compiled:* 

Proof of VCAILG membership (ID# listed at the top of this page, maintain enrollment confirmation email and/or invoices)
Pesticide information required by other regulatory programs
Copy of all completed BMPs Surveys (hard copy or email that was sent upon completion)

## **Required Education**

All members must attend a minimum of two hours of educational training every year from December 1 through November 30. For each VCAILG ID, any landowner, operator or staff member may attend training to satisfy this requirement. All training sessions must be approved by the Regional Board. Documented attendance will be reported to the Regional Board by VCAILG on your behalf.

## Required Best Management Practices for the Bardsdale Responsibility Area

Implement any Required BMPs, then select additional BMPs to address the water quality issues in your RA, and expand your usage of existing BMPs, if feasible.

Water Quality Issues			ity Issues			
Bact	teria	Legacy Pesticides	Current Use Pesticides	Toxicity		
Dry Weather	Wet Weather	Wet Weather	Wet Weather	Dry Weather	BMPs	Implemented?
					Addresses Most Pollutants	
х	х	Х	х	х	Protect ditches from erosion using <u>vegetation</u> , rock placement or geotextiles, or wattles placed at intervals	
х	х	х	х	х	Use grassed waterways	
х	х	х	x	х	Use vegetated filter strips	
		х	х	х	Reduce bare soil in production area with <u>cover crops</u> , gravel, <u>mulch</u> , etc.	
		х	х	х	Minimize erosion on sloped areas with contour farming, contoured buffer strips, or terracing (sloped acres with erosion control/total sloped acres)	
					Source Control BMPs	
х				х	Use <u>efficient irrigation system</u> : such as drip or micro- sprinkler	
				х	Test <u>irrigation system</u> for distribution uniformity by monitoring water delivery or pressure differences by block at least every 3 years	
				х	Implement irrigation practices that are based on soil moisture measurements and/or crop evapotranspiration	
				х	Use soil solution electrical conductivity measurements to determine when salt leaching is necessary	
				х	Conduct soil residual nitrate tests and use results to adjust fertilizer application	
				х	Conduct leaf/petiole tests and use results to apply the minimum necessary amount of fertilizer	
				х	Analyze irrigation water nitrate and use results to adjust fertilizer application	
				х	Adjust fertilizer application to account for nutrients provided by cover crops	
				х	Prepare a certified <u>nutrient management</u> plan for the property	
		х	х		Minimize bare soil in <u>non-cropped areas</u> by using <u>vegetation</u> , <u>mulch</u> , or gravel	
			х	х	Use a pest control advisor (PCA) or certified qualified applicator for pesticide management decisions	

			х		Implement an <u>integrated pest management plan</u>	
х				х	Avoid/prevent irrigation runoff	
	Optional Treatment BMPs					
х	х	х	х	х	Runoff is treated with <u>sediment traps</u> , detention/retention basins, bioreactor, or <u>constructed</u> <u>wetlands</u>	