STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2015-0029

APPROVING THE FINAL REPORT OF THE COLORADO RIVER BASIN SALINITY CONTROL FORUM TITLED "2014 REVIEW-WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR SALINITY-COLORADO RIVER SYSTEM," DATED OCTOBER 2014

WHFRFAS:

- 1. In 1975, the seven Colorado River Basin states, including California, established water quality standards (objectives) for salinity for the Colorado River.
- 2. Section 303(c) of the federal Clean Water Act mandates that water quality standards be reviewed and revised, as necessary, at least once every three years.
- 3. The seven-state Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Forum (Forum) reviewed the 1975 state-adopted and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA)-approved standards in 1978 and every three years thereafter and concluded that the existing salinity standards were adequate.
- 4. The Forum conducted a review in 2014 and adopted a report which updated the plan of implementation and reaffirmed the adequacy of existing numeric standards. No changes are recommended to California's implementation of the salinity water quality standards. The report is titled "2014 Review–Water Quality Standards for Salinity–Colorado River System," dated October 2014.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board:

- 1. Approves the 2014 Triennial Review of the Colorado River salinity objectives and plan of implementation.
- 2. Directs staff to submit the approved 2014 Triennial Review to U.S. EPA pursuant to section 303(c) of the federal Clean Water Act.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Clerk to the Board, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on May 5, 2015.

AYE: Chair Felicia Marcus

Vice Chair Frances Spivy-Weber Board Member Tam M. Doduc Board Member Steven Moore Board Member Dorene D'Adamo

NAY: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board