

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION**

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region (Regional Water Board) staff will hold a Public Workshop on November 19, 2007, to discuss the requirements of the Coachella Valley Stormwater Channel Bacterial Indicators Total Maximum Daily Load (hereafter referred to as "CVSC TMDL"). The Regional Water Board adopted the CVSC TMDL at a public hearing held on May 16, 2007. The Regional Water Board also directed staff to conduct three Public Workshops with affected stakeholders and other interested persons.

The first of the three Public Workshops was held on July 25, 2007, in accordance with Public Notice No. 7-07-42, dated June 27, 2007. The Public Workshop described in this Public Notice represents the second of those three Public Workshops. The format of this workshop will be a roundtable discussion. Affected stakeholders and other interested and affected parties are encouraged to participate in this workshop. Where speakers can be grouped by affiliation or interest, such groups will be expected to select a spokesperson and not be repetitive.

The workshops serve several purposes. First, the workshops enable Regional Water Board staff to discuss at greater depth the objectives, requirements, and other relevant aspects (such as monitoring requirements) of the CVSC TMDL. Second, the workshops give Regional Water Board staff an opportunity to update affected stakeholders and other interested persons on the status of the CVSC TMDL. Finally and foremost, the workshops provide a forum for affected stakeholders to discuss TMDL implementation concerns and to discuss how TMDL implementation can move forward in a timely manner.

The CVSC TMDL is currently pending approval by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board). If approved, the CVSC TMDL will then be forwarded to the California Office of Administrative Law (OAL) for its rulemaking approval, and finally, to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region IX. If the State Water Board and OAL approve the CVSC TMDL, EPA approval is expected no sooner than March 2008. As directed by the Regional Water Board, the third and final Public Workshop will be scheduled to be held prior to the expected EPA approval date.

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This second of three Public Workshops is scheduled as follows:

Date: **November 19, 2007**

Time: **9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**

Location: **Parkview Professional Building**
 Room 115
 73-710 Fred Waring Drive
 Palm Desert, California 92260

The CVSC TMDL documents are available by contacting Mr. Nadim Zeywar at (760) 776-8942, or may be downloaded from the Regional Board's website at:
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/coloradoriver/tmdl/TMDL_Status.htm

To ensure accuracy of the record, the Regional Water Board requests that any speakers who have prepared written statements for oral presentation at the workshop submit those statements to Regional Water Board staff before or during the workshop.

Filing of Written Comments

Persons wishing to file written comments concerning the CVSC TMDL for this workshop are requested to do so by November 5, 2007, so that the comments may be given sufficient consideration. Comments should be mailed to the attention of Mr. Nadim Zeywar at the following address:

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Any person who is disabled and requires special accommodations to participate in this Regional Water Board stakeholder public workshop, please contact Hilda Vasquez at (760) 346-7491 no later than ten (10) days prior to the scheduled workshop date.

Please bring the foregoing to the attention of anyone you believe may be interested in this matter.

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