

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

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NPDES No. CA0104523

**NOTICE OF AMENDMENT OF AND PUBLIC HEARING FOR
NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT AND
WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS**

The following discharger has requested amendment of a Board Order under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit Program:

CITY OF BRAWLEY
CITY OF BRAWLEY WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT
BRAWLEY – IMPERIAL COUNTY

The staff of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region (Regional Water Board), has prepared a Tentative Board Order, No. R7-2008-0027, for the above discharger containing effluent and receiving water limitations and special provisions in accordance with the Federal Clean Water Act and the California Water Code. The discharger conducted a Bioassessment of the receiving water for designation as a Freshwater habitat and submitted it the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) for approval. The USEPA has issued a tentative approval, which is publicly noticed pursuant to this Notice. Tentative Board Order No. R7-2008-0027 amends Board Order No. R7-2005-0021 (NPDES No. CA0104523). The Regional Water Board will hold a public hearing on the Tentative Board Order during its regular Board meeting, which is scheduled as follows:

Date: June 25, 2008
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Location: City Council Chambers
City of Indio
150 Civic Center Mall
Indio, CA 92201

The Regional Water Board and USEPA will accept comments during a thirty (30) day public comment period, which begins April 12, 2008, and ends May 12, 2008. Persons wishing to submit written comments on the Tentative Board Order are requested to do so by May 16, 2008, so that they may be given sufficient consideration. Comments should be mailed to the attention of Kirk Larkin at the address shown below or faxed to the office at (760) 341-6820.

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Comments made in reference to USEPA's approval letter and the Biological Assessment should be directed to:

Mathew Mitchell
USEPA
75 Hawthorne Street (WTR-5)
San Francisco, CA 94105
(415) 972-3508

Affected stakeholders and other interested persons are invited to attend and express their views on this matter at the Public Hearing. Those who wish to speak at the hearing will be asked to fill out a speaker request card and provide it to Regional Water Board staff. In order to have adequate time for the presentations by Regional Water Board staff, however, comments from the public will be limited to five (5) minutes per person. If the presentation may take longer, please let Regional Water Board staff know before speaking so that the presentation can be appropriately scheduled at the hearing. Where speakers can be grouped by affiliation or interest, such groups will be expected to select a spokesperson and not be repetitive. To ensure accuracy of the record, the Regional Water Board requests that any speakers who have prepared written statements for oral presentation at the hearing submit those statements to Regional Water Board staff before or during the hearing.

The discharger's request for amendment, the Tentative Board Order, written comments received, USEPA's tentative approval, the Biological Assessment, and related documents may be inspected and copied at the Regional Board office. Contact Kirk Larkin, Water Resources Control Engineer, at (760) 776-8964 for any questions regarding this matter. In addition, copies of the Tentative Board Order, USEPA's tentative approval, and the Biological Assessment are available on the Regional Board's website at:
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/coloradoriver/board_orders.html.

Interested parties are advised that the full text of the NPDES permit is available on the Regional Water Board's web site at:

<http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/coloradoriver>. Under the heading of "Board Orders", select year "Year 2008" then Order R7-2008-0027. If you need a hard copy of this order mailed to you, please contact Hilda Vasquez by phone at (760) 346-7491 or via e-mail at hvasquez@waterboards.ca.gov.

Any person who is disabled and requires special accommodations to participate in this Public Hearing, please contact Hilda Vasquez at (760) 776-8950 no later than ten (10) days before the scheduled Public Hearing.

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