

**Date:**

October 14, 2009

**Applicant:**

Southern California Gas Company (SCG)

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**Project Name:**

Southern California Gas Company - California Desert Region Natural Gas Supply System Operation and Maintenance Program Project

WDID No. 7B363019001

**Receiving Water:**

Project maintenance activities may occur at various rivers, streams, washes, and lakes that are Waters of the U.S. along SCG's Desert Region natural gas pipeline system, primarily within the California Desert Conservation Area (CDCA) but also including the RWQCB jurisdiction area between the CDCA and the RWQCB eastern boundary (east of the CDCA but west of the state line mid-stream of the Colorado River). The pipeline system generally follows three main corridors. Two of these corridors latitudinally bisect San Bernardino and Riverside Counties, and one corridor longitudinally bisects Imperial County.

**Location:**

Primarily California Desert Conservation Area, San Bernardino, Riverside, and Imperial Counties

**Project Description:**

The Goal of this application is to obtain a long-term CWA Section 401 Water Quality Certification to replace the Water Quality Certification (WQC), File Number 7B363005001, and to authorize the regulatory required operation and maintenance activities for SCG's natural gas pipelines in the project area. These maintenance activities are mandated by the current law and regulations of the federal Department of Transportation (DOT) including 49 CFR 192 and the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), including General Order 112e. Additionally, the Pipeline Safety Improvement Act of 2002 (PSIA) regulations also now require SCG to perform additional maintenance activities to assess, evaluate, repair and validate pipeline safety and reliability, including the project area.

**Action:**

Pending

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