WHEREAS, The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region (Colorado River Basin Water Board) finds that:


B. The OWTS Policy defines a “local agency” as any subdivision of state government that has responsibility for permitting the installation and regulation of OWTS within its jurisdictional boundaries; typically, a county, city, or special district.

C. The OWTS Policy allows local agencies to propose Local Agency Management Programs (LAMPS) for approval by the Colorado River Basin Water Board. Upon approval of the LAMP, the local agency manages the installation of new and replacement OWTS under the LAMP.

D. Prior to approval of a proposed LAMP, the OWTS Policy requires the Colorado River Basin Water Board to solicit comments from the State Water Board’s Division of Drinking Water (DDW) regarding the LAMP’s proposed setbacks and notifications to water purveyors.

E. On July 3, 2018, the City of Needles Building and Safety Division submitted a proposed LAMP with an area of applicability that extends within the boundaries of the Colorado River Basin Water Board.

F. On July 31, 2018, Colorado River Basin Water Board staff sent comments via email to the City of Needles regarding the submitted proposed LAMP.

G. In response to Colorado River Basin Water Board staff’s comments, the City of Needles revised the draft LAMP and submitted a final proposed LAMP on August 3, 2018.

H. On August 7, 2018, Colorado River Basin Water Board staff submitted a copy of the final proposed LAMP to DDW and solicited comments from DDW regarding the proposed LAMP’s policies and procedures, including notification of local water purveyors prior to OWTS permitting.

I. Colorado River Basin Water Board staff has reviewed the final proposed LAMP and determined that the LAMP addresses the required elements of the OWTS Policy. Staff recommends that the Board approve the LAMP.
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J. On October 10, 2018, the Colorado River Basin Water Board notified the City of Needles Building and Safety Division and interested parties of the opportunity for public comment and a public hearing concerning consideration of a resolution to approve the final proposed LAMP.

K. On November 8, 2018, the Colorado River Basin Water Board, in a public meeting, heard and considered all comments pertaining to this action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Colorado River Basin Water Board hereby approves the final proposed LAMP submitted by the City of Needles Building and Safety Division; and

2. The LAMP becomes effective upon adoption of an implementing ordinance by the City of Needles.

I, Paula Rasmussen, Acting Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of Resolution R7-2018-0033 adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region, on November 8, 2018.

Paula Rasmussen
Acting Executive Officer