CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION

RESOLUTION R7-2023-0018

ADOPTION OF COLORADO RIVER BASIN STRATEGIC PLAN

FINDINGS

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

- 1. The Board regulates activities and industries that can impact groundwater and surface water quality in the southeastern portion of California, including Imperial County and portions of San Bernardino, Riverside and San Diego Counties.
- 2. The Board faces unique challenges. Although the Board has the smallest staff of any of the Regional Water Quality Control Boards, this Board is nevertheless responsible for an extremely large territory, which, though arid, nevertheless includes a number of challenging issues. Implementation of the Board's Water Quality Control Plan, administration of irrigated lands general orders, protection of groundwater, and administration of the salt and nutrient management and cleanup programs are ongoing priorities.
- 3. On December 13, 2022, the Board held a Workshop to discuss a draft of the Strategic Plan. No comments were received from the public. However, Board Members provided their comments and directed that the Strategic Plan be regarded as a "living document," and therefore updated as needed.
- 4. The Board Members' comments and directions at the December 2022 Workshop have been incorporated in a final version of the Strategic Plan for adoption, attached hereto as **Attachment A**.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. The Board hereby adopts Attachment A as its operative Strategic Plan.
- 2. The Board affirms its intent to address the Strategic Objectives identified in the Strategic Plan to the extent that resources allow.
- 3. The Board directs the Executive Officer to implement the Strategic Objectives in the Strategic Plan through the annual performance targets and workplans developed by the managers of each regulatory program.

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4. The Board affirms its intent to update its Strategic Plan as needed, and further directs the Executive Officer to re-evaluate the expressed priorities during the annual performance updates presented to the Board.

CERTIFICATION

I, Paula Rasmussen, Executive Officer, certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the resolution adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region, on March 14, 2023.

Original signed by

PAULA RASMUSSEN Executive Officer Colorado River Basin Water Board