

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

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Public Notice No. 7-07-14

**Notice of
Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration
For
Line Section 111 Washout Repairs**

**Public Comment Period:
March 15, 2007 to April 14, 2007**

The public is invited to review and comment on an Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration, prepared by the Colorado River Basin Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (California Public Resources Code, Section 21000 et seq.) and CEQA Guidelines (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15000 et seq.), for the Line Section 111 Washout Repair project. Santa Fe Pacific Pipelines Partners, L.P. (SFPP), an operating company of Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, L.P. (KMEP), owns and operates a 20-inch diameter pipeline, Line Section (LS) 111, which transports petroleum products between Colton, California, and Phoenix, Arizona. LS 111 crosses the San Gorgonio River near the intersection of Interstate 10 and State Highway 111 in the vicinity of the City of Palm Springs, California. Heavy stormwater flows in 2004 undermined the soil cover over the pipeline in two locations leaving the line exposed. SFPP/KMEP is proposing to re-cover the exposed areas and install permanent structures that will protect the pipeline from erosion caused by future storm events. The project is situated on unincorporated land in northwest Riverside County, approximately 10 miles northwest of Palm Springs.

The proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration is supported by the Initial Study, which evaluates whether this project may have a significant effect on the environment. At a **Public Hearing** that will commence at the time and place indicated below, the Regional Water Board will consider the Initial Study, the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration, and any comments received from the public, when it determines whether to adopt the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration.

Date: **May 16, 2007**
Time: **10:00 a.m.**
Location: **City of La Quinta, City Council Chambers
78-495 Calle Tampico
La Quinta, CA 92253**

The public hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Hilda Vasquez at (760) 776-8950 at least five (5) working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 800-735-2929.

Written comments on the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration must be postmarked no later than April 14, 2007, for delivery to:

Kirk Larkin, Water Resources Control Engineer
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WHERE YOU CAN GET MORE INFORMATION:

The proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and other project documents are available for review at the Regional Water Board's office. The proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and Initial Study are also available online at:
<http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/coloradoriver>

CONTACT:

If you have any questions or wish to discuss the project, please contact Kirk Larkin, Water Resources Control Engineer, at (760) 776-8964



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March 12, 2007