

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

**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
AND OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT**

**SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND
PROPOSED ORDER NO. R7-2009-0005 IMPOSING
ADMINISTRATIVE CIVIL LIABILITY
AGAINST
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION,
CENTINELA STATE PRISON WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT
FOR
VIOLATIONS ALLEGED IN COMPLAINT NO. R7-2008-0018**

**WRITTEN COMMENTS DUE NO LATER THAN
5:00 P.M., December 31, 2008**

On January 22, 2009, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region (Regional Board) will consider a proposed order imposing administrative civil liability against the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, Centinela State Prison Wastewater Treatment Plant (hereinafter Discharger) to resolve proposed civil liability for violations alleged in Complaint No. R7-2008-0018. In Complaint No. R7-2008-0018, the Regional Board Enforcement Unit (Prosecution Team) recommends that the Regional Board impose civil liability in the amount of \$78,000 mandatory minimum penalty, based on a finding of violations of Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R7-2003-0096, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit No. CA7000001. The Discharger and the Prosecution Team (hereinafter "Parties") executed a settlement agreement on November 3, 2008. The terms of the settlement agreement are reflected in the proposed order.

Anybody wishing to comment on the proposed order and/or settlement agreement may do so by submitting written comments no later than 5:00 p.m. on December 31, 2008. Written comments should be submitted to the Regional Board's office located at 73-720 Fred Waring Drive, Suite 100, Palm Desert, California 92260. If the written material is more than five (5) pages or contains foldouts, maps, etc., twenty (20) copies must be submitted for distribution to the Regional Board members and staff, and for distribution to the public at the Regional Board meeting. E-mail comments on this matter will be accepted and provided to the Regional Board as long as the total submittal (including attachments) does not exceed five (5) printed pages in length. E-mail comments should clearly indicate their relation to the proposed settlement offer and be sent to Doug Wylie at dwylic@waterboards.ca.gov.

The January 22, 2009, Regional Board meeting will be held at 11:00 a.m. at the El Centro City Hall, 1275 Main Street, El Centro, California. The Regional Board will not hold a hearing on January 22, 2009, but will consider the proposed order and comments thereon and may act to adopt or reject the proposed order, or to give direction to staff concerning the proposed order and settlement agreement.

Documents pertaining to the proposed order, including the settlement agreement executed by the Parties, are available on the Regional Board's website at www.waterboards.ca.gov/coloradriver.

If the Regional Board does not adopt the proposed order, the matter may be scheduled for an evidentiary hearing at a subsequent meeting.

If you have any questions, please contact Doug Wylie at (760)346-6585 or by email at dwylic@waterboards.ca.gov.