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Public Notice No. 7-10-10
NPDES Permit No. CA0104493
June 21, 2010

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

ADMINISTRATIVE CIVIL LIABILITY COMPLAINT NO. R7-2010-0014
ISSUED TO
CITY OF COACHELLA SANITARY DISTRICT
FOR
MANDATORY MINIMUM PENALTIES FOR
VIOLATION OF BOARD ORDER NO. R7-2005-0083
NPDES PERMIT NO. CA0104493

Coachella Sanitary District (Discharger) owns and operates a sewage collection system and wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) that provides sewerage services to the community of the City of Coachella in Riverside County. The WWTP is designed to treat municipal wastewater flows up to 4.5 million gallons per day (mgd). On June 29, 2005, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region (Regional Board) adopted Waste Discharge Requirements, Board Order No R7-2005-0083 and a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit No. CA0104493 to regulate discharges of treated municipal wastewater from the WWTP to the Coachella Valley Storm Water Channel.

The Assistant Executive Officer of the Regional Board issued Administrative Civil Liability Complaint (Complaint) No. R7-2010-0014 against the Discharger for violations of the effluent limits set forth in Board Order No R7-2005-0083. Pursuant to Section 13385 of the California Water Code (CWC), the Complaint proposes that the District pay sixty-nine thousand dollars (\$69,000) in mandatory minimum penalties for those violations.

Unless the Discharger agrees to waive its right to a public hearing on the matter, as provided by CWC Section 13323(b), the Regional Board will proceed with the public hearing as follows:

Date of hearing: September 16, 2010
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Location: La Quinta City Council Chambers
78-495 Calle Tampico
La Quinta, CA 92253

During the hearing, the public and any other interested person(s) may provide the Regional Board with comments on this matter.

If the Discharger waives its right to a hearing and pays the administrative civil liability in full, no hearing will be held. The settlement of this Complaint will become final 30 days from the date of this Public Notice. Persons wishing to file written comments on or objections to, the Complaint or any other aspects of this matter are required to do so within 30 days of the date of this Notice so that the Regional Board may consider the comments.

Comments must be mailed to the following address:

California Regional Water Quality Control Board
Colorado River Basin Region
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A copy of the Complaint may be obtained from the Regional Board Office. Please contact Doug Wylie at (760) 346-6585 for any questions regarding this matter. Any person who is disabled and requires special accommodations to participate in this Regional Meeting, please contact Hilda Vasquez at (760) 776-8950 no later than 10 days before the scheduled public hearing.