

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

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
FOR
WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
BOARD ORDER R7-2011-0037**

The following discharger has requested Waste Discharge Requirements for the operation of a newly constructed Geothermal Power Plant near Calipatria in Imperial County.

**CE OBSIDIAN ENERGY LLC, OWNER
PROPOSED BLACK ROCK 1, 2 AND 3 GEOTHERMAL POWER PROJECT BRINE PONDS
CALIPATRIA – IMPERIAL COUNTY**

Staff of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region (Regional Water Board), prepared proposed Waste Discharge Requirements, Board Order R7-2011-0037, for the above discharger. The Regional Water Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed Waste Discharge Requirements during its regular Board meeting, which is scheduled as follows:

Date: September 15, 2011
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Location: City of La Quinta
City Council Chambers
78-495 Calle Tampico
La Quinta, CA 92253

The Regional Water Board will accept comments during a thirty (30) day public comment period, which begins August 1, 2011, and ends August 30, 2011. Persons wishing to submit written comments on the proposed Waste Discharge Requirements are requested to do so by August 30, 2011, so that they may be given sufficient consideration. Comments should be mailed to the attention of Doug Wylie at the address shown below or faxed to the office at (760) 341-6820.

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Affected stakeholders and other interested persons are invited to attend and express their views on this matter at the public hearing. Those who wish to speak at the hearing will be asked to fill out a speaker request card and provide it to Regional Water Board staff. In order to have adequate time for the presentation by Regional Water Board staff, however, comments from the public will be limited to three (3) minutes per person. If your presentation may take longer, please let Regional Water Board staff know before speaking so that it can be appropriately scheduled at the hearing. Where speakers can be grouped by affiliation or interest, such groups will be expected to select a spokesperson and not be repetitive. To ensure accuracy of the record, the Regional Water Board requests that any speakers who have prepared written statements for oral presentation at the hearing submit those statements to Regional Water Board staff before or during the hearing.

Copies of the proposed Waste Discharge Requirements, Board Order R7-2011-0037, are available on the Regional Board's website at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/coloradoriver/board_orders.html.

Interested persons requiring a hard copy of the proposed Waste Discharge Requirements should contact Hilda Vasquez at (760) 346-7491 or via e-mail at: hvasquez@waterboards.ca.gov.

If you are disabled and require special accommodations to participate in this public hearing, please contact Hilda Vasquez at (760) 776-8950 no later than ten (10) days before the scheduled public hearing.

Please bring the foregoing to the attention of anyone you believe may be interested in this matter.

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