

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

73-720 Fred Waring Drive, Suite 100
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Public Notice 7-13-49
May 9, 2013

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
FOR
SPECIAL BOARD ORDER R7-2013-0056
AMENDING CEASE AND DESIST ORDER R7-2010-0037
ISSUED TO VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT, OWNER/OPERATOR,
MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT**

Valley Sanitary District (Discharger) owns and operates a sewage collection system and wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) (hereinafter "Facility") that provides sewerage service to the City of Indio, Riverside County. The Facility has a treatment capacity of 11 million gallons-per-day. The final effluent from the WWTP is discharged to the Coachella Valley Storm Water Channel, a water of the United States, within the Salton Sea Watershed.

On April 26, 2010, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region (Regional Water Board) announced to the Discharger and stakeholders its intent to update the Discharger's Waste Discharge Requirements and National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit to regulate the discharge of the treated municipal wastewater to the Coachella Valley Storm Water Channel. The Permit is assigned NPDES Permit CA0104477, Board Order R7-2010-0019. Among other changes, the revised WDRs were to prescribe new effluent limitations for copper and heptachlor. In a letter dated May 6, 2010, the Discharger indicated that its monitoring results show that its discharge may be at risk of violating the proposed effluent limitations on copper and heptachlor. Consequently, on June 17, 2010, concurrently with the adoption of the WDRs Board Order R7-2010-0019, the Regional Water Board adopted Cease and Desist Order (CDO) R7-2010-0037 to address the potential threat of future violations of effluent limitations for copper and heptachlor prescribed by Board Order R7-2010-0019.

In a letter dated April 1, 2013, the Discharger requested that the Regional Water Board amend CDO R7-2010-0037 to extend the milestone deadlines specified below to December 31, 2013:

| WWTP Upgrades | | | |
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| Milestone | Milestone Submittal | Completion Date Ordered in R7-2010-0037 | Requested Adjusted Completion Date |
| 1 | Submit a Copy of the design and construction plan to the Regional Board | September 30, 2010 | September 30, 2010 |
| 2 | Submit a Copy of the Pollution Prevention Plan to the Regional Board | September 30, 2010 | September 30, 2010 |
| 3 | Submit a Copy of Final Design Drawings to the Regional Board | June 30, 2011 | June 30, 2011 |
| 4 | Submit Summary and Verification of Construction Completion | June 30, 2013 | December 31, 2013 |

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The Discharger states that it is requesting these adjustments to allow time for completion of the Summary and Verification of construction completion, required by the CDO; the Discharger also states that the construction completion is anticipated in June 2013.

In accordance with the requirements set forth in California Water Code Section 13385(j)(3)(C)(ii)(II), this proposed Special Board Order revises CDO R7-2010-0037 to extend the milestone deadlines specified on page 5, Ordered Paragraph No. 1 for all Milestones.

The Regional Board will proceed with the public hearing as follows:

Date: June 20, 2013
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Location: Town of Yucca Valley Community Center
Yucca Room
57090 Twentynine Palms Highway
Yucca Valley, CA 92284

During the hearing, the public and any other person interested in this matter can provide the Regional Water Board with comments on this matter.

Persons wishing to file written comments on or objections to the proposed Special Board Order or any other aspects of this matter are required to do so prior to the public hearing, so that the Regional Water 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 proposed Special Board Order and CDO may be obtained from the Regional Board Office. The CDO is available via the Internet at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/coloradoriver/board_decisions/adopted_orders/orders

Please contact Doug Wylie at (760) 776-8960 for any questions regarding this matter. Any person who is disabled and requires special accommodations to participate in this Regional Water Board Meeting, please contact Hilda Vasquez at (760) 346-7491 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.