



Colorado River Basin Regional Water Quality Control Board

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To: Interested Persons

PUBLIC NOTICE

2014 TRIENNIAL REVIEW OF THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD, COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region (Colorado River Basin Water Board), is reviewing its Water Quality Control Plan (Basin Plan) pursuant to section 13240 of the California Water Code and section 303(c)(1) of the Federal Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. section 1313(c)(1)). The Basin Plan designates beneficial uses for ground and surface waters in the Colorado River Basin Region, and establishes water quality objectives and implementation plans to protect those beneficial uses.

The Colorado River Basin Water Board is responsible for reviewing the Basin Plan at a minimum every three years, hence the term "Triennial Review," and is required to: 1) identify those portions of the Basin Plan which are in need of modification or new additions; 2) adopt standards as appropriate; and 3) recognize those portions of the Basin Plan which are appropriate as written. The review includes public hearings to allow the public to identify issues for the Board to consider for incorporation into its Basin Plan. After public input is received, the Board evaluates if Basin Plan revisions are needed, and develops and adopts by resolution a priority list and schedule for consideration of needed Basin Plan revisions for the next three year period. The Board submits its Triennial Review to the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water- Board) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for their respective reviews.

The Colorado River Basin Water Board staff reviewed and carefully considered all comments previously submitted from the first Public Notice No. 7-14-52, dated October 29, 2014, and incorporated relevant issues into a draft 2014 Triennial Review List (see attachment). All Comment Letters and Responses will be included in the Final Work Plan and included in the Third Public Notice. All Interested persons and stakeholders are invited to submit their recommendations for issues or projects that should be considered during the 2014 Triennial Review. The comment period for the revised draft Triennial Review list will extend from February 23, 2015 to April 6, 2015, 2015.

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Recommendations must be submitted to staff as identified below by close of business, April 6,, 2015.

A Final Draft Triennial Review List and staff report will be prepared at the conclusion of the public comment period, and provided to the Colorado River Basin Water Board for consideration of adoption at a public hearing conducted during a regularly scheduled Board meeting in late 2015. The time and day of the hearing will be indicated in a "Notice of Public Hearing" as soon as practicable.

AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS

To obtain the most current information on the Triennial Review process, please contact us by:

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Triennial Review documents also may be reviewed by appointment at the Colorado River Basin Water Board office at the above address.



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Enc: Draft 2014 Triennial Review List

File: BP 2014 Triennial Review