NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
2014 TRIENNIAL REVIEW OF THE BASIN PLAN

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region (Colorado River Basin Water Board) is reviewing the 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. 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 beneficial uses. The Basin Plan is reviewed for adequacy approximately every three years, hence the term “Triennial Review”. The objective of the Review is to reaffirm water quality standards and parts of the Basin Plan that effectively protect water quality, and to identify potential water quality problems that may require Basin Plan amendments to address.

Colorado River Basin Water Board staff notified the public of the Board’s intent to conduct a Triennial Review in two Public Notices, dated October 29, 2014, and February 23, 2015. A preliminary list of water quality issues that may result in Basin Plan amendments was provided for public review and comment. Based on comments received and resources available to follow up on the issues, the attached Final Draft 2014 Triennial Review List was prepared.

Staff is soliciting public input, an integral part of the Triennial Review process, for recommendations or revisions to the Final Draft 2014 Triennial Review List. The 45-day public comment period begins July 27, 2015 and ends September 8, 2015. Written responses will be provided for comments received during the comment period. Comments received after the comment period will be addressed at the Colorado River Basin Water Board meeting during which the Board will consider adoption of the Final Draft 2014 Triennial Review List. The hearing on the matter is scheduled as follows:

DATE: September 17, 2015
TIME: 9:00 AM
LOCATION: California Regional Water Quality Control Board
Colorado River Basin Region Board Room
73-720 Fred Waring Drive, Suite 100
Palm Desert, CA 92260
At the conclusion of the public hearing, the Colorado River Basin Water Board will consider adoption of the Final Draft 2014 Triennial Review List as proposed, or as modified as a result of its deliberations. The Final Draft 2014 Triennial Review List and other related documents are available on the Board’s Internet web page at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/coloradoriver/water_issues/programs/basin_planning/#triennial

Triennial Review documents may also be reviewed by appointment at the Colorado River Basin Water Board office at the address listed at the beginning of this public notice. In addition, copies of Triennial Review documents may be obtained by contacting Joan Stormo by telephone at (760) 776-8982, or by email at Joan.Stormo@waterboards.ca.gov

The facility is accessible to people with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Hilda Vasquez at (760) 776-8950 at least five (5) working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1 (800) 735-2929 or voice line at 1 (800) 735-2922.