

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

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April 4, 2019

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
FOR
RESCISSION OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
ORDER R7-2014-0026, NPDES NO. CA0104299**

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region (Colorado River Basin Water Board) is releasing for public review and comment proposed Order R7-2019-0036, which would rescind Order R7-2014-0026, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit No. CA 0104299. The following discharger has requested termination of its NPDES permit, Order R7-2014-0026, under section 402 of the federal Clean Water Act NPDES permit program (33 U.S.C. § 1342):

IMPERIAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
IMPERIAL VALLEY COLLEGE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT
380 EAST ATEN ROAD
IMPERIAL, CA 92251

Colorado River Basin Water Board staff has prepared proposed Order R7-2019-0036 (Proposed Order) for the above discharger in accordance with the federal Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1251 et seq.) and the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act (Water Code, § 13000 et seq.). The public hearing to consider adoption of the Proposed Order will be on:

Date: May 15, 2019
Time: ~~4:00~~ 10:30 a.m.
Location: City of Blythe
Council Chambers
235 N. Broadway
Blythe, CA 92225

BACKGROUND

Imperial Community College District (Discharger) owns and operates a wastewater treatment plant that provides sewerage services to Imperial Valley College (Facility). The total design capacity of the wastewater treatment plant is 0.15 million gallons per day (MGD). The Facility consists of two package plants. The first package plant operates at a design capacity of 0.10 MGD and runs continuously. The second package plant operates at a design capacity of 0.050 MGD and runs only when the first plant is not in operation. Both plants utilize a manual rake bar screen, contact tank, secondary clarifier, stabilization tank, and aerobic digester. Effluent from the Facility is disinfected through an ultraviolet (UV) disinfection system prior to discharge.

The Facility is subject to the requirements set forth in an NPDES permit, Order R7-2014-0026, which permits the discharge of treated effluent directly to the Central Drain, an Imperial Valley Drain, and a tributary to the Alamo River.

The Discharger submitted a letter on November 27, 2018 requesting cancellation/non-renewal of the NPDES permit. The Facility has ceased discharging to surface water by instead discharging treated effluent to on-site evaporation/percolation ponds regulated under a separate order, Order R7-2013-0018..

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

The full text of the Proposed Order is available on the Colorado River Basin Water Board's website at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/coloradoriver/board_decisions/tentative_orders/index.shtml

If you need a hard copy of the order mailed to you, please contact Mary Castaneda by phone at (760) 776-8945 or e-mail at mary.castaneda@waterboards.ca.gov.

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS

The Colorado River Basin Water Board will accept written comments during a thirty (30) day public comment period, which begins April 4, 2019 and ends May 6, 2019. Written comments on the Proposed Order must be received no later than **5:00 p.m., May 6, 2019**.

Comments should be mailed to the attention of Kai Dunn at the address shown below or emailed to kai.dunn@waterboards.ca.gov.

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The Colorado River Basin Water Board will prepare written responses to significant comments that are timely received. If written comments to the Colorado River Basin Water Board are not timely submitted, late comments will not be accepted if doing so would prejudice any party in accordance with California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 648.4.

HEARING PROCEDURE

Affected stakeholders and other interested persons are invited to attend and express their views on this matter at the public hearing, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. In addition, to ensure accuracy of the record, the Colorado River Basin Water Board requests that any speakers who have prepared written statements for oral presentation at the hearing submit those statements to Board staff before or during the hearing.

Those who wish to speak at the hearing will be asked to fill out a speaker request card and provide it to Colorado River Basin Water Board staff. Comments from the public will be limited to three (3) minutes per person. Any person planning to make a presentation to the Board that requires the use of visual aids (such as overheads, slides, or video projector) should contact the assigned staff person to make arrangements before the meeting date in order to avoid unnecessary delays during the meeting. Where speakers can be grouped by affiliation or interest, such groups will be expected to select a spokesperson and not be repetitive.

More information about the Colorado River Basin Water Board's meeting procedures is available at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/coloradoriver/board_info/agenda/docs/bm_procedures.pdf

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Contact Kai Dunn, Senior Water Resources Control Engineer, at (760) 776-8986 or email at kai.dunn@waterboards.ca.gov for any questions regarding the Proposed Order.

ACCESSIBILITY

If you are disabled and require special accommodations to participate in this public hearing, please contact Hilda Vasquez at (760) 776-8950 or by e-mail at hvasquez@waterboards.ca.gov no later than ten (10) days before the scheduled public hearing. If you need interpreter services, please contact Mary Castaneda by phone at (760) 776-8945 or via email at Mary.Castaneda@waterboards.ca.gov at least 10 working days prior to the meeting.

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

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