

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
COLORADO RIVER REGION
NOTICE OF WRITTEN COMMENT PERIOD FOR PROPOSED SETTLEMENT
AGREEMENT AND STIPULATED ORDER
IN THE MATTER OF
NCA MANAGEMENT CO., LLC, SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, W DID No.
7_36CC403989**

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Region (Regional Water Board) is considering the adoption of a proposed Settlement Agreement and Stipulation for Entry of Administrative Civil Liability Order (Stipulated Order) No. R7-2021-0014. The Stipulated Order is a civil liability settlement between the Regional Water Board Prosecution Team and NCA Management, LLC (Discharger)(collectively, Parties) for an alleged violation of the State Water Resources Control Board, *General Waste Discharge Requirements and Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Waste Associated with Cannabis Cultivation Activities* (General Order). To resolve the alleged violation without an adjudicative proceeding, the Parties have agreed to administrative civil liability in the amount of \$125,000, calculated in accordance with the State Water Resources Control Board Water Quality Enforcement Policy.

Additionally, the proposed Stipulated Order includes a Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP) advancing the human right to water in a Financial Hardship Community in the amount of \$125,000. Upon approval of the Stipulated Order, the Discharger will fund the engineering design plans and partial construction of the L Street Booster Station SEP, a critical piece of infrastructure of the City of Needles, Needles Public Utility Authority.

Document Availability

A copy of the Stipulated Order and its Exhibits is available for download and review from the Regional Water Board's website at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/coloradriver/board_decisions/tentative_orders/

Written Comment Period

The Regional Water Board is accepting written comments on the Stipulated Order.

Written comments are due by 5:00 p.m. on February 18, 2021.

All interested parties that wish to comment are required to submit written comments to the Regional Water Board. Comments should be addressed to:

Zakary Owens, G.I.T.
Engineering Geologist,
Fred Waring Drive, Suite 100
Palm Desert, CA 92260

or sent via email to Zakary.owens@waterboards.ca.gov

Be sure to include your name and address if you would like a response. All comments timely received will be provided to the Regional Water Board, or its delegee, to consider whether to accept or deny the proposed Stipulated Order. The Regional Water Board may refuse to accept written comments received after the deadline.