CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION

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Public Notice No. 7-26-42
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NPDES No. CA0104523

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

PROPOSED RESOLUTION OF VIOLATIONS
CONDITIONAL SETTLEMENT OFFER NO. R7-2026-0015 FOR
CITY OF BRAWLEY, OWNER/OPERATOR
BRAWLEY WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT
IMPERIAL COUNTY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region (Colorado River Basin Water Board) is releasing for public comment a proposed resolution of discharge limit violations subject to mandatory minimum penalties pursuant to California Water Code (Water Code) section 13385, subdivisions (h) and (i).

On September 18, 2026, the Assistant Executive Officer of the Colorado River Basin Water Board issued Conditional Settlement Offer No. R7-2026-0015 to City of Brawley, Owner/Operator of Brawley Wastewater Treatment Plant (Discharger), to resolve effluent limit violations of Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R7-2021-0005 (NPDES No. CA0104523) without a formal enforcement proceeding.

On October 16, 2026, the Discharger accepted the Conditional Settlement Offer by signing the "Acceptance of Conditional Resolution and Waiver of Right to Hearing" (Acceptance and Waiver) and agreed to pay $12,000 in mandatory minimum penalties and to waive its right to a hearing. Pursuant to federal regulations, the Colorado River Basin Water Board is releasing the Conditional Settlement Offer for public comment.

If no comments are received within thirty (30) days and no new material facts become available, the Executive Officer will execute the Acceptance and Waiver as a stipulated Order assessing the uncontested mandatory minimum penalty amount pursuant to Water Code sections 13385 and/or 13385.1. If, however, significant comments are received in opposition to the Conditional Settlement Offer, the offer may be withdrawn.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILTY
Additional information and relevant documents related to this matter may be reviewed online at https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/coloradoriver/public_notices/ or in person at the Colorado River Basin Water Board Office.

If you need a hard copy of the Conditional Settlement Offer 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 regarding the Conditional Settlement Offer during a 30-day public comment period, which begins **November 4, 2026** and ends **December 4, 2026**. Persons wishing to submit written comments on the Conditional Settlement Offer are requested to do so as soon as possible, but no later than **5:00 p.m., December 4, 2026.**

Comments should be mailed to the attention of Logan Raub at the address shown below, emailed to Logan.Raub@waterboards.ca.gov or faxed to the office at (760) 341-6820.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you have questions concerning this matter, please contact Logan Raub at Logan.Raub@waterboards.ca.gov.