Notice of Decision

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FROM: Robert Perdue
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COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD

SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Decision in compliance with section 21080.5 of the Public Resources Code

PROJECT PROPOSENT: Colorado River Basin Regional Water Quality Control Board

PROJECT TITLE: AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION TO ESTABLISH THE TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD AND IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR BACTERIAL INDICATORS IN THE COACHELLA VALLEY STORM WATER CHANNEL, RIVERSIDE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

LOCATION: Coachella Valley Storm Water Channel near the City of Indio in Riverside County, California

DESCRIPTION: Resolution Order No. R7-2007-0039 adopted on May 16, 2007 and revisions later adopted by Resolution Order No. R7-2010-0028 on June 17, 2010 by the Colorado River Basin Regional Water Quality Control Board, modified the regulatory provisions of the Water Quality Control Plan for the Colorado River Basin Region by establishing a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) and Implementation Plan for Bacterial Indicators in the Coachella Valley Storm Water Channel. The TMDL sets numeric targets for E. coli as a log mean (Geomean) of 126 Most Probable Number (MPN)/100 ml (based on a minimum of not less than five
samples during a 30-day period), or 400 MPN/100 ml for a single sample. The implementation plan is divided into two phases with Phase I actions being implemented within 90 days following USEPA approval of the TMDL. Phase I actions will take three years to complete and will focus on monitoring and addressing pathogens associated with wastewater discharges from NPDES facilities, urban runoff, and storm water runoff. If WQOs are not achieved by the end of Phase I, Regional Water Board staff will implement additional actions in Phase II to control pathogenic sources. Enforcement actions against violators of the TMDL may be taken in Phases I and/or II, if necessary.

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This is to advise that the Colorado River Basin Region Water Quality Control Board has made the following determination regarding the above described project:

The project has been: X approved  ______ disapproved

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Date received for filing: __________________