

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

**RESOLUTION R7-2022-0044**

APPROVING LOCAL AGENCY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM  
FOR RIVERSIDE COUNTY  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

**FINDINGS**

WHEREAS, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region (Colorado River Basin Water Board) finds that:

1. On June 19, 2012, the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) adopted Resolution No. 2012-0032, which approved the statewide *Water Quality Control Policy for Siting, Design, Operation, and Maintenance of Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems* (OWTS Policy) regulating onsite wastewater treatment systems (OWTS).
2. The OWTS Policy defines a "local agency" as any subdivision of state government that has responsibility for permitting the installation and regulation of OWTS within its jurisdictional boundaries; typically, a county, city, or special district.
3. The OWTS Policy allows local agencies to propose Local Agency Management Programs (LAMPs) for approval by the Regional Water Quality Control Boards. Upon LAMP approval, the local agency manages the installation of new and replacement OWTS under the LAMP.
4. On November 17, 2016, The Colorado River Basin Water Board approved Riverside County's existing LAMP. The LAMP covers an area regulated by the Regional Water Quality Control Boards for the Colorado River Basin, Santa Ana and San Diego Regions.
5. On February 17, 2022, Riverside County, by and through its Department of Environmental Health, submitted a proposed revised LAMP for approval.
6. In the following months, staff from the three affected Regional Water Quality Control Boards provided comments on the proposed LAMP to Riverside County.
7. In response to these comments, Riverside County revised its proposed LAMP and submitted a final draft on September 29, 2022. The final draft LAMP, dated September 29, 2022, is attached hereto as **Attachment A**.
8. Colorado River Basin Water Board staff has reviewed the proposed LAMP (Attachment A) and determined that it addresses all required elements of the

OWTS Policy. Staff therefore recommends that the Colorado River Basin Water Board approve the proposed LAMP.

9. On October 10, 2022, the Regional Water Board notified Riverside County's Department of Environmental Health, and all other known interested parties, regarding the opportunity for public comment and a public hearing concerning consideration of a resolution to approve the proposed LAMP.
10. On December 13, 2022, the Colorado River Basin Water Board, in a public meeting, heard and considered all comments pertaining to this action.

### **PROGRAM APPROVAL**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Colorado River Basin Water Board hereby approves Riverside County's proposed LAMP, attached hereto as **Attachment A**; and
2. The LAMP shall become effective upon adoption of an implementing ordinance by Riverside County.

I, Paula Rasmussen, Executive Officer, certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of the resolution adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region, on December 13, 2022.

*Original Signed by*

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PAULA RASMUSSEN  
Executive Officer  
California Regional Water Quality Control  
Board, Colorado River Basin