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State Water Resources Control Board

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NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

PROPOSED APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE SAN DIEGO REGION TO INCLUDE A DEFINITION OF A COMMERCIAL GROWING OPERATION IN CONDITIONAL WAIVER NO. 4 FOR AGRICULTURAL AND NURSERY OPERATIONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will accept comments on the proposed approval of an amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the San Diego Region (Basin Plan) that would include a definition of a commercial growing operation in Conditional Waiver No. 4 for Agricultural and Nursery Operations. The amendment's resolution and attachment are available on the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board's (San Diego Water Board's) Web site at:

Resolution:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/board_decisions/waivers/docs/updates_02-10-11/Final_Revised_ResolutionNo.R9-2011-0020.pdf

Attachment:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/board_decisions/waivers/docs/updates_02-10-11/Final_Revised_BasinPlanAmendmentForResolutionNo.R9-2011-0020.pdf

The amendment was adopted by the San Diego Water Board on February 9, 2011. The amendment can also be received via mail by contacting Vicente Rodriguez at (858) 627-3940. The State Water Board will separately publish the agenda item, draft resolution and a notice of the meeting at which it will consider the approval of the amendment.

Comment letters to the State Water Board <u>must be received by 12:00 noon on Wednesday</u>, <u>July 13, 2011</u>. After the deadline, staff will not accept additional written comments unless the State Water Board determines that such comments should be accepted. Please send comments on the proposed State Water Board approval of the amendment to: Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board, by email at (<u>commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov</u>) (if less than 15 megabytes in size or less), (916)341-5620 (fax), or by mail or hand delivery addressed to:

Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board State Water Resources Control Board P.O. Box 100, Sacramento, CA 95812-2000 (by mail) 1001 I Street, 24th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814 (by hand delivery)

Please also indicate in the subject line, "Comment Letter - San Diego Conditional Waiver No. 4."

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<u>Incorporation of Comments by Reference</u>: Comments must specifically address the version of the amendment that is currently being considered for approval by the State Water Board. If similar or identical comments were submitted to the San Diego Water Board, the commenter must explain why and in what manner each of the responses provided by the San Diego Water Board to each comment was inadequate or incorrect. If the comment does not include such an explanation, the State Water Board will presume that the San Diego Water Board's response adequately addressed the commenter's concern.

Please direct questions about this notice to Vicente Rodriguez, Water Resources Control Engineer, at (858) 627-3940 or <u>vrodriguez@waterboards.ca.gov</u> or Jessica Newman, Staff Counsel at (916) 341-5168 or <u>imnewman@waterboards.ca.gov</u>.

June 9, 2011

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