CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION

- RESOLUTION No. R7-2015-0046

COMPLETION OF THE 2014 TRIENNIAL REVIEW OF THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION AND ADOPTION OF FINAL DRAFT 2014 TRIENNIAL REVIEW LIST AND WORKPLAN

WHEREAS,

- 1. The Water Quality Control Plan (Basin Plan) for the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region (Colorado Region Water Board) contains the Region's water quality standards, which consist of beneficial uses and water quality objectives necessary to protect those uses.
- 2. Section 303(c) of the federal Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C.A. 1313(c), requires that water quality standards be reviewed and revised if necessary at a minimum every three years.
- 3. Section 13240 of the California Water Code requires that Water Quality Control Plans (Basin Plans) be periodically reviewed and revised if necessary.
- On October 29, 2014 and February 23, 2015, Colorado River Basin Water Board staff prepared and circulated a draft list of water quality issues for investigation and review to interested persons and potentially affected parties for comment.
- 5. Pursuant to 40 CFR 131.20(b) and California Water Code Section 13244, the Colorado River Basin Water Board notified interested persons and potentially affected parties of its intent to conduct a Public Hearing to conclude the 2014 Triennial Review in a public notice dated July 27, 2015.
- 6. The Colorado River Basin Water Board held a Public Hearing on September 17, 2015, in Palm Desert, California, to conclude the Triennial Review, and to consider adoption of the draft 2014 Triennial Review List and draft 2014 Triennial Review Workplan. The Board considered all evidence provided by Board staff, and the public.
- 7. The Colorado River Basin Water Board considered and addressed all comments received during the public comment period, and introduced at the Public Hearing.
- 8. This Basin Plan, revision update process satisfies the federal triennial review requirements of Section 303(c) of the Clean Water Act and the periodic review requirements of Water Code Section 13240.
- 9. The Water Quality Control Plan for the Colorado River Basin Region contains the essential elements required by State and Federal regulation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT,

- In fulfillment of requirements of the requirements of the federal Clean Water Act and the California Water Code, the Colorado River Basin Water Board hereby acknowledges completion of the 2014 Triennial Review of the Water Quality Control Plan, adopts the Final Draft 2014 Triennial Review List identifying water quality issues in need of investigation and possible revision to the Basin Plan, and adopts the supporting Triennial Review Work Plan.
- 2. The Colorado River Basin Water Board hereby reaffirms as being adequate at this time those parts of the Water Quality Control Plan that were determined not needing investigation and possible revision.
- 3. The Water Quality Control Plan for the Colorado River Basin Region shall remain in effect in its entirety, including those areas listed on the 2014 Triennial Review List, until Basin Plan amendments are adopted, and approved by the Colorado River Basin Water Board and other state agencies, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, as appropriate.
- 4. The Colorado River Basin Water Board Executive Officer is hereby directed to: prepare additional detailed work plans of any issue on the Triennial Review List as appropriate; identify issues on the List that can be completed within existing resource allocations over a three-year period; prepare a list of projects requiring additional resources to complete; and forward the Administrative Record of the Colorado River Basin Region 2014 Triennial Review to the State Water Resources Control Board for its consideration and approval.

I, Robert Perdue, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a Resolution adopted on September 17, 2015, by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region.

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Executive Officer