

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

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NPDES No. CAG917001

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PUBLIC HEARING FOR  
DISCHARGE PERMIT**

The Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region (Regional Water Board) has drafted Waste Discharge Requirements (Proposed General Board Order R7-2009-0400 (NPDES Permit No. CAG917001) for the regulation of:

**DISCHARGES OF EXTRACTED AND TREATED GROUNDWATER  
RESULTING FROM THE CLEANUP OF GROUNDWATER POLLUTED BY  
VOLATILE ORGANIC CONSTITUENTS INTO SURFACE WATERS**

The staff of the Regional Water Board has prepared a Tentative General Board Order for the above activity containing effluent and receiving water limitations and special provisions, in accordance with the federal Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1251 et seq.) and Division 7 of the California Water Code, commencing with Section 13000. This Tentative Board Order updates and replaces existing Board Order R7-2002-1000.

The Regional Water Board will hold a public hearing on the Tentative General Board Order during its regular meeting, which is scheduled as follows:

Date: September 17, 2009  
Time: 10:00 a.m.  
Location: City of Palm Desert  
City Council Chambers  
73-510 Fred Waring Drive  
Palm Desert, CA 92260

The Regional Water Board will accept comments during a thirty (30) day public comment period, which begins July 14, 2009, and ends August 13, 2009. Comments received by this deadline will be included in the administrative record. If written comments to the Regional Water Board are not timely submitted, however, the Regional Water Board Chair may refuse to accept such evidence or admit it into the administrative record unless the commenter can demonstrate why he or she was unable to timely submit the evidence, that compliance with the deadline would create an unreasonable hardship, or that allowing the evidence would not prejudice any party or the Regional Water Board. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, § 648.4.) Written materials or other documents submitted at the Regional Water Board hearing must be provided first to Board counsel, who will advise the Board regarding acceptance of these documents into the record.

Comments should be mailed to the attention of John Carmona at the address shown below or faxed to the office at (760) 341-6820.

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Affected stakeholders and other interested persons are invited to attend and express their views on this matter at the public hearing, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. In addition, to ensure accuracy of the record, the Regional Water Board requests that any speakers who have prepared written statements for oral presentation at the hearing submit those statements to Regional Water Board staff before or during the hearing.

Those who wish to speak at the hearing will be asked to fill out a speaker request card and provide it to Regional Water Board staff. In order to have adequate time for the presentations by Regional Water Board staff, however, comments from the public will be limited to five (5) minutes per person. If the presentation may take longer, please let Regional Water Board staff know before speaking so that the presentation can be appropriately scheduled at the hearing. Where speakers can be grouped by affiliation or interest, such groups will be expected to select a spokesperson and not be repetitive.

More information about the Regional Water Board's Meeting Procedures is available at the Regional Board Office. If you would like a copy of these Meeting Procedures mailed to you, please contact Hilda Vasquez at (760) 776-8950 to request a copy.

The application for the discharge permit, the existing Board Order, the Tentative General Board Order, written comments received, and related documents may be inspected and copied at the Regional Water Board office. Contact John Carmona, Senior Water Resources Control Engineer, at (760) 340-4521 for any questions regarding this matter. In addition, copies of the Tentative Board Order are available on the Regional Board's website at: [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/coloradoriver/board\\_orders.html](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/coloradoriver/board_orders.html).

Interested parties are advised that the full text of the current General Board Order R7-2002-1000 and the Tentative General Board Order R7-2009-0400 is available on the Regional Water Board's web site at: [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/coloradoriver/board\\_decisions/adopted\\_orders/](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/coloradoriver/board_decisions/adopted_orders/). For Order R7-2002-1000 under the heading of "Board Orders", select General Board Orders, then Order R7-2002-1000. For R7-2009-0400 under the heading of "Board Orders", select year 2009, then Order R7-2009-0400. If you need a hard copy of these orders mailed to you, please contact Hilda Vasquez by phone at (760) 346-7491 or via e-mail at [hvasquez@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:hvasquez@waterboards.ca.gov).

If you are disabled and require special accommodations to participate in this Public Hearing, please contact Hilda Vasquez at (760) 776-8950 no later than ten (10) days before the scheduled Public Hearing.

Please bring the foregoing to the attention of anyone you believe may be interested in this matter.

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