

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

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Public Notice 7-21-49  
November 8, 2021

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
FOR  
WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR DREDGED OR FILL DISCHARGES TO  
WATERS OF THE STATE  
PROPOSED ORDER R7-2021-0048  
ISSUED TO  
IP OBERON, LLC AND IP OBERON II, LLC  
OBERON RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECT**

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region (Colorado River Basin Water Board) is releasing, for public review and comment, proposed Order R7-2021-0048 (Proposed Order), which prescribes Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) to IP Oberon, LLC and IP Oberon II, LLC (IP Oberon or Permittee) for waste discharges associated with the Oberon Renewable Energy Project (Project). IP Oberon is proposing to construct, operate, maintain, and decommission a solar energy production facility on 5,000 acres of land in Riverside County, near Desert Center. The Project will be on land managed by the U.S. Bureau of Land Management. The Project is expected to impact waters of the state.

The Colorado River Basin Water Board intends to consider adopting the Proposed Order during a public hearing that will commence at the time and place indicated:

Date: December 14, 2021  
Time: 9:00 a.m.  
Location: Virtual Meeting via Zoom Video  
and Teleconference (Gov. Code, § 11133)

Based on the ongoing COVID-19 emergency, and in accordance with Government Code section 11133 (effective September 16, 2021), the meeting will occur solely via remote presence. In the event orders from the Governor of California change prior to the scheduled date of this meeting, the format of this meeting may change to also allow for in-person attendance at a physical meeting location (73-720 Fred Waring Drive, Suite 100, Palm Desert, CA 92260). Persons desiring to receive notice about changes to the format of this meeting should sign up for the Lyris e-mail list by [Subscribing to our Electronic Mailing List](#) (Select Board Meetings Agenda).

Interested persons are invited to attend and express their views orally on this matter at the public hearing. The Colorado River Basin Water Board requests that those persons wishing to speak at the hearing provide a copy of their oral comments in writing before or during the hearing to ensure accuracy of the record. Links for the meeting, a phone call

option, and remote participation instructions are posted on the Colorado River Basin Water Board's website at: [Colorado River Basin Water Board Remote Participation Instructions](#).

At the hearing, the Colorado River Basin Water Board will follow the Meeting Procedures found on its website at: [Colorado River Basin Water Board Meeting Procedures](#).

### **SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS**

In accordance with Water Code section 13167.5, the Colorado River Basin Water Board will accept written comments on the Proposed Order during a 30-day public comment period, which begins **November 8, 2021**, and ends **December 8, 2021**. Written comments on the Proposed Resolution must be received no later than **5:00 p.m. on December 8, 2021**.

The Colorado River Basin Water Board has implemented an electronic records management system to reduce paper consumption and improve overall accessibility to records and documents. To submit comments electronically, please convert the signed original documents to Portable Document Format (PDF) and submit via email to Kai Dunn at [Kai.Dunn@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Kai.Dunn@waterboards.ca.gov). Documents that are 50 MB or larger should be transferred to a disk or portable USB drive and mailed to:

California Regional Water Quality Control Board  
Colorado River Basin Region  
c/o Kai Dunn  
73-720 Fred Waring Drive, Suite 100  
Palm Desert, CA 92260

Mailed written comments may be sent to the address above. Written comments may also be faxed to the Colorado River Basin Water Board office at (760)341-6820.

### **DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY**

Copies of the Proposed Resolution are available on the "Tentative Orders" page of the Regional Water Board's [website](#). If you need a hard copy of the Proposed Resolution mailed to you, please contact CJ Jasieniecki by phone at (760) 346-7494 or e-mail at: [CJ.Jasieniecki@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:CJ.Jasieniecki@waterboards.ca.gov).

### **ACCESSIBILITY**

Any person who is disabled and requires special accommodations to participate in the public hearing, please contact Hilda Vasquez at (760) 776-8950 or via email at [Hilda.Vasquez@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Hilda.Vasquez@waterboards.ca.gov) no later than ten (10) days before the scheduled meeting. If you need interpreter services, please contact CJ Jasieniecki by phone at (760) 346-7494 or e-mail at: [CJ.Jasieniecki@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:CJ.Jasieniecki@waterboards.ca.gov) at least 10 working days prior to the meeting.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

If you have questions concerning this matter, please contact Kai Dunn at (760) 776-8986 or via email at [Kai.Dunn@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Kai.Dunn@waterboards.ca.gov). Please bring the foregoing to the attention of anyone you believe may be interested in this matter.

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