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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region Settlement of Administrative Civil Liability (ACL) Order against Metropolitan Transit System

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (Regional Board) will consider the settlement of an ACL against Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) issued pursuant to section 13385 of the California Water Code. MTS is alleged to have violated the State Water Resources Control Board Order No. 99-08-DWQ, NPDES General Permit No. CAS000002, Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Storm Water Runoff Associated with Construction Activity, for the Mission Valley East Light Rail Transit (MVE LRT) Project.

MTS's MVE LRT construction site is located in the Cities of San Diego and La Mesa, within the Regional Board's jurisdiction. The settlement includes contributions of $100,000 to the State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account and $50,000 to a Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP) to improve water quality within the San Diego River; enhancing staff awareness of storm water quality issues; and developing/refining construction contract language and support.

Written public comments regarding the settlement of Complaint No. R9-2005-0062 will be accepted through July 27, 2005. Oral comments can be made during the August 10, 2005 public hearing.

The Regional Board's August 10, 2005 meeting will be at the Regional Board office located at 9174 Sky Park Court, San Diego, CA, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

For more information please call Vicente Rodriguez at 858-627-3940 or visit the Regional Board's web site at: www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego

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