

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

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**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT
ON THE 2020 TRIENNIAL REVIEW OF WATER QUALITY STANDARDS IN THE
COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region (Colorado River Basin Water Board) is beginning the 2020 Triennial Review of its water quality standards, which are contained in the [Water Quality Control Plan for the Colorado River Basin Region](#) (Basin Plan).

The Triennial Review is a process conducted to meet the requirements of the Clean Water Act section 303(c)(1), which requires the Colorado River Basin Water Board to hold public hearings for the purpose of reviewing applicable water quality standards at least once each three-year period. Water quality standards consist of beneficial uses for surface water and groundwater bodies, listed in Chapter 2 of the Basin Plan, and water quality objectives established to protect those uses, listed in Chapter 3 of the Basin Plan. Actions implementing water quality standards are listed in Chapter 4 of the Basin Plan.

During the Triennial Review, possible additions and revisions to regulations that establish and implement water quality standards are identified and prioritized at a public hearing. These prioritized additions and revisions are then developed and implemented through future Basin Plan amendments over the course of the three-year cycle, based upon available resources.

By this notice, staff is now soliciting input on basin planning projects to be addressed during the 2020 Triennial Review period, which spans from January 2021 through December 2023. Specifically, interested persons are invited to submit data, information, documents, and other evidence regarding current water quality standards and any suggested revisions or additions to water quality standards or implementation actions applicable to waters in the Colorado River Basin Region. Staff will consider these comments in finalizing the list of basin planning priorities that will be presented to the Colorado River Basin Water Board for its consideration and approval at a public meeting, which will be announced in a subsequent Public Notice. In addition to this initial solicitation for input on priorities, and the public hearing described above, there will be additional opportunities for public participation, including public comment periods and public hearings for any Colorado River Basin Water Board actions related to consideration of new or revised water quality standards.

NANCY WRIGHT, CHAIR | PAULA RASMUSSEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS

Interested persons are invited to submit data, information, documents, and other evidence that demonstrate a need to revise or add water quality standards or implementation actions for waters in the Colorado River Basin Region. Triennial Review basin planning proposals should be submitted with the following information:

- Name and contact information of submitting organization or person
- Affected water quality objective, if applicable
- Affected beneficial use, if applicable
- Affected implementation action, if applicable
- Affected waterbody(ies) and/or watershed(s)
- Concise summary of data, information or evidence
- Concise summary of suggested revisions
- Supporting data, information or evidence

All Triennial Review proposals with supporting information should be submitted to the Colorado River Basin Water Board no later than 12:00 pm on May 27, 2020. Please submit your proposals to maria.davydova@waterboards.ca.gov with the subject line "2020 Triennial Review Proposal." Please note that submittals to this e-mail address are limited in size to a maximum of 10 MB. Submittals greater than 10 MB may be transmitted in multiple e-mails, e.g. 1 of 4, 2 of 4. Alternatively, interested persons may submit issue proposals with supporting information on CDs or flash drives to the following address:

California Regional Water Quality Control Board
Colorado River Basin Region
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If you have any questions about the Triennial Review or the process for submitting Triennial Review proposals, please contact Ms. Maria Davydova, Environmental Scientist at (760) 776-8947 or by email at: maria.davydova@waterboards.ca.gov .