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## State Water Resources Control Board

### NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

#### PROPOSED APPROVAL OF NON-REGULATORY AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION TO UPDATE BACTERIA WATER QUALITY OBJECTIVES FOR WATERS DESIGNATED FOR WATER CONTACT RECREATION

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will accept comments on the proposed approval of the Colorado River Basin Regional Water Quality Control Board's (Colorado River Basin Water Board) amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Colorado River Basin Region (Basin Plan) updating bacteria water quality objectives for all waters designated for water contact recreation (REC I). The administrative update would change the Basin Plan to reflect statewide bacteria objectives for REC I waters already in effect through State Water Board [Resolution No. 2018-0038](#). The Basin Plan amendment was adopted by the Colorado River Basin Water Board on September 3, 2020 (Resolution R7-2020-0028) and is available for review at:  
[https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/coloradoriver/board\\_decisions/adopted\\_orders/orders/2020/0028regionwide\\_bacteria\\_resolution.pdf](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/coloradoriver/board_decisions/adopted_orders/orders/2020/0028regionwide_bacteria_resolution.pdf)

A copy of the Basin Plan amendment can also be received by mail by contacting Ms. Emma McCorkle at (760) 340-4521 or [emma.mccorkle@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:emma.mccorkle@waterboards.ca.gov).

**REQUEST NOTICE OF STATE WATER BOARD MEETINGS.** The State Water Board will separately publish an agenda for the meeting at which it will consider adopting a resolution approving the Basin Plan amendment. Oral comments at the State Water Board meeting generally will be limited to a summary of the written comments submitted during the written comment period. Persons interested in receiving notice of the meeting at which the State Water Board will consider approving this Basin Plan amendment **must subscribe** to the State Water Board's [email subscription service](#) located at:

[https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email\\_subscriptions/swrcb\\_subscribe.html](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/swrcb_subscribe.html).

On this webpage under the "General Interests" category check the box for "Board Meetings," provide your email address and name, then click on the "subscribe" button. The State Water Board encourages use of its electronic mailing list. Persons who require notice by postal mail must submit such request to the Colorado River Basin Water Board contact identified below.

**SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS.** Persons interested in this Basin Plan amendment are encouraged to submit comments electronically. Comment letters **must be received by 12:00 noon on February 16, 2021**. Comment letters received after that deadline will not be accepted unless the State Water Board determines otherwise. Send comments to Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the State Water Board, by email to [commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov) (must be no more than 15 megabytes); fax at (916) 341-5620; or postal mail or hand delivery to:

Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board  
State Water Resources Control Board  
P.O. Box 100, Sacramento, CA 95812-2000 (mail)  
1001 I Street, 24<sup>th</sup> Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814 (hand delivery)

Please also indicate in the subject line, "**Comment Letter – Colorado River Basin Bacteria Basin Plan Amendment.**"

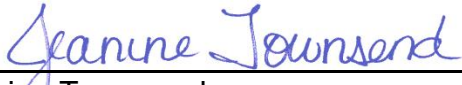
If you would like a copy of any or all of the written comments submitted on this subject, please send a request to [commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov), identifying the subject listed above. Written comments will not be available until after the comment deadline.

**REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMITTING COMMENTS.** Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 3779, subdivision (f), comments submitted to the State Water Board must satisfy all of the following requirements:

1. Comments must specifically address the final version of the Basin Plan amendment adopted by the Colorado River Basin Water Board.
2. If the Colorado River Basin Water Board previously responded to a similar or identical comment, the commenter must explain why and in what manner the commenter believes each of the responses provided by the Colorado River Basin Water Board to each comment was inadequate or incorrect.
3. The commenter also must include either a statement that each of the comments was timely raised before the Colorado River Basin Water Board, or an explanation of why the commenter was unable to raise the specific comment before the Colorado River Basin Water Board.

Please direct any questions about this notice to Emma McCorkle at the Colorado River Basin Water Board, at (760) 340-4521 or [emma.mccorkle@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:emma.mccorkle@waterboards.ca.gov); or Katharine Buddingh, Staff Counsel, at (916) 440-7769 or [katharine.buddingh@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:katharine.buddingh@waterboards.ca.gov).

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January 14, 2021  
Date

  
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Jeanine Townsend  
Clerk to the Board