CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION

RESOLUTION ORDER NO. R7-2008-0013

COMPLETION OF THE 2007 TRIENNIAL REVIEW OF THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION

WHEREAS.

- 1. The Water Quality Control Plan (Basin Plan) contains the Region's water quality standards, which consist of beneficial uses, water quality objectives necessary to protect those uses, and state and federal water quality control policies.
- 2. Section 303(c)(1) of the Federal Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1313(c)(1)), requires that water quality standards be reviewed and revised if necessary at a minimum every three years.
- 3. Section 13240 of the California Water Code requires that Water Quality Control Plans (Basin Plans) be periodically reviewed and revised if necessary.
- 4. On August 1, 2007, Regional Board staff prepared and circulated a Draft 2007 Triennial Review List of water quality issues for investigation and review to interested persons and potentially affected parties for comment. The Final Draft 2007 Triennial Review List, dated January 18, 2008, was prepared based on comments from the public and other stakeholders.
- 5. Regional Board staff has prepared a 2007 Triennial Review Workplan (hereafter "Workplan") to address the priority issues under this review. The Workplan is attached hereto and made part of this Resolution by reference.
- 6. The summary of the priority water quality issues under this review and required resources to complete work, which is described in the Workplan are presented in Table 1, which is attached hereto and made part of this Resolution by reference.
- 7. Pursuant to 40 CFR 131.20 (h) and the California Water Code Section 13244, the Regional Board notified interested persons and potentially affected parties of its intent to conduct a Public Hearing to conclude the 2007 Triennial Review in a Public Notice, dated January 18, 2008.
- 8. The Regional Board held a Public Hearing on March 19, 2008, in Indio, California, to conclude the Triennial Review process and consider adoption of the Final Draft 2007 Triennial Review List and Workplan. The Regional Board considered all evidence provided by Regional Board staff and the public.
- 9. The Regional Board considered and addressed all comments received during the public comment period and introduced at the Public Hearing.

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- 10. This Basin Plan revision update process satisfies the federal triennial review requirements of Section 303(c)(1) of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1313(c)(1)) and the periodic review requirements of California Water Code Section 13240.
- 11. The Water Quality Control Plan for the Colorado River Basin Region contains the essential elements required by State and Federal regulation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT,

- In fulfillment of requirements of the Federal Clean Water Act and the California Water Code, the Regional Board hereby acknowledges completion of the 2007 Triennial Review of the Water Quality Control Plan (Basin Plan), adopts the Final Draft 2007 Triennial Review List identifying water quality issues in need of investigation and possible revision to the Basin Plan, and adopts its supporting Workplan.
- 2. The Regional Board hereby reaffirms those parts of the Basin Plan that were not identified for investigation and possible revision as being adequate at this time.
- 3. The Basin Plan for the Colorado River Basin Region shall remain in effect in its entirety, including those areas listed on the 2007 Triennial Review List until Basin Plan amendments are adopted, and approved by the Regional Board and other state agencies and USEPA as appropriate.
- 4. The Regional Board Executive Officer is hereby directed to: prepare additional detailed workplans of any issue on the Triennial Review List as appropriate; identify issues on the List that can be completed within existing resource allocations over a three-year period; prepare a list of projects requiring additional resources to complete; and forward the Administrative Record of the Colorado River Basin Region 2007 Triennial Review to the State Water Resources Control Board for its consideration and approval.

I, Robert Perdue, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a Resolution adopted on March 19, 2008, by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region.

ROBERT PERDUE Executive Officer