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NOTICE OF REVISED HEARING DATE AND BOARD MEETING

Hearing on Petitions to Revise the Declaration of Fully Appropriated Streams to Allow Processing of Applications to Appropriate Water from the Santa Ana River

> Originally Scheduled for July 3, 2002 Now Scheduled for July 2, 2002

The Hearing will commence on July 2, 2002 - 9:00 a.m. Joe Serna, Jr./Cal-EPA Building/Second-Floor Coastal Hearing Room 1001 I Street, Sacramento, CA

On March 19, 2002, the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) issued a Notice of Pre-Hearing Conference and Public Hearing (Hearing Notice) on the above matter. The prehearing conference was held on April 16, 2002. All persons that submitted a Notice of Intent to Appear for the hearing participated in the pre-hearing conference. The parties agreed that the 1999 evidentiary record for the December 7 and 8, 1999, hearing on petitions to revise the Declaration of Fully Appropriated Streams (Declaration) for the Santa Ana River stream system (1999 evidentiary record), and Order WR 2000-12, would comprise the entire evidentiary record for the July 2, 2002 hearing. Three of the parties agreed to accept a written procedural stipulation in which the signatories also agree to rely on the 1999 evidentiary record that served as the basis for Order WR 2000-12 for the July 2, 2002 hearing.¹ As a result of this agreement, the SWRCB waived any further requirements to submit evidence and testimony for this hearing.

During the pre-hearing conference, all parties agreed to participate in the hearing by conference call. Persons wishing to participate by conference call should telephone (916) 574-2346 at 9:00 a.m. on July 2, 2002. Parties and members of the public may also appear in person at the Cal-EPA building, Coastal Hearing Room.

As stated in section 6 of the enclosure to the Hearing Notice, our Order of Proceeding is as follows. The hearing will convene with an opening statement and a roll call to determine attendance. Anyone wishing to make a Policy Statement will have five minutes to do so. Time limits will be strictly enforced. The parties have agreed to use only the 1999 evidentiary record and Order 2000-12 for this proceeding. Accordingly, there will be no presentation of evidence at this time. SWRCB staff will offer the 1999 evidentiary record and Order WR 2002-12 into

¹ The SWRCB has taken notice of the stipulation for the purpose of referencing this procedural agreement. (See Recorded Transcript at p. 14.)

evidence. Following the hearing, the Board will consider whether to adopt a proposed order.

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Dated: June 17, 2002