

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

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NPDES No. CA0105181

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION OF VIOLATIONS
CONDITIONAL SETTLEMENT OFFER NO. R7-2021-0009 FOR
KENT SEATECH, LLC, OWNER/OPERATOR
KENT SEATECH CORPORATION FISH FARM
RIVERSIDE COUNTY**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region (Colorado River Basin Water Board) is releasing for public comment a proposed resolution of discharge limit violations subject to mandatory minimum penalties pursuant to California Water Code (Water Code) section 13385, subdivisions (h) and (i).

On January 11, 2021, the Assistant Executive Officer of the Colorado River Basin Water Board issued Conditional Settlement Offer No. R7-2021-0009 to Kent SeaTech, LLC (Discharger), Owner/Operator of Kent SeaTech Corporation Fish Farm, to resolve effluent limit violations of Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R7-2016-0035 (NPDES No. CA0105181) without a formal enforcement proceeding.

On January 11, 2021, the Discharger accepted the Conditional Settlement Offer by signing the "Acceptance of Conditional Resolution and Waiver of Right to Hearing" (Acceptance and Waiver) and agreed to pay \$84,000 in mandatory minimum penalties and to waive its right to a hearing. Pursuant to federal regulations, the Colorado River Basin Water Board is releasing the Conditional Settlement Offer for public comment.

If no comments are received within the 30-day comment period and no new material facts become available to the Colorado River Basin Water Board, the Conditional Settlement Offer and Acceptance and Waiver will be presented to the Board and its Executive Officer for approval as a stipulated order assessing the uncontested mandatory minimum penalty amount. The Colorado River Basin Water Board or Executive Officer may elect to schedule consideration of the matter at a Board meeting prior to executing the Acceptance and Waiver.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

Additional information and relevant documents related to this matter may be reviewed online at https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/coloradoriver/public_notices/ or in person at the Colorado River Basin Water Board Office.

If you need a hard copy of the Conditional Settlement Offer mailed to you, please contact Mary Castaneda by phone at (760) 776-8945 or e-mail at: Mary.Castaneda@waterboards.ca.gov.

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS

The Colorado River Basin Water Board will accept written comments regarding the Conditional Settlement Offer during a 30-day public comment period, which begins

January 21, 2021 and ends **February 20, 2021**. Persons wishing to submit written comments on the Conditional Settlement Offer are requested to do so as soon as possible, but no later than **5:00 p.m., February 20, 2021**.

Comments should be mailed to the attention of Maribel Pizano at the address shown below, emailed to Maribel.Pizano@waterboards.ca.gov, or faxed to the office at (760) 341-6820.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you have questions concerning this matter, please contact Maribel Pizano at Maribel.Pizano@waterboards.ca.gov.