CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION

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NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

PROPOSED UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK CASE CLOSURE PURSUANT TO LOW-THREAT CLOSURE POLICY FOR

FORMER FLYING INN MOTEL (CURRENTLY MAGNUSON HOTEL), 1781 EAST HOBSONWAY (ALSO KNOWN AS 9232 EAST HOBSONWAY), BLYTHE, RIVERSIDE COUNTY APN 851-120-008, GLOBAL ID NO. T0606500754

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region (Regional Water Board) will accept written comments on the proposed underground storage tank (UST) case closure, for the Former Flying Inn Motel located at 1781 East Hobsonway (also known as 9232 East Hobsonway), Blythe (Site), Riverside County, GeoTracker Global ID No. T0606500754 (Site).

This UST Site is being proposed for case closure pursuant to the State Water Resources Control Board's (State Water Board) Water Quality Control Policy for Low-Threat UST Case Closure (Policy), adopted through Resolution No. 2012-0016 on August 17, 2012. Under this Policy, the State Water Board staff determined that certain UST cases are appropriate for closure if they pose a low threat to human health, safety, and the environment. Low threat is established under the Policy by demonstrating the UST case meets the general and media-specific criteria established in the Policy, satisfies the requirements of Health and Safety Code section 25296.10, and is consistent with State Water Board Resolution 92-49 requirement that cleanup goals and objectives be achieved within a reasonable time.

Regional Water Board staff have completed a review of the case identified above and determined that the case meets the general and media-specific closure criteria outlined in the Policy, complies with Health and Safety Code section 25296.10, and is consistent with State Water Board Resolution 92-49. Based on these findings, staff will recommend case closure to the Executive Officer. This recommendation is based on the specific facts and circumstances of this UST case. The UST case record that is the basis for determining compliance with the Policy is available on the State Water Board's GeoTracker database at:

https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/profile_report.asp?global_id=T0606500754

or scan the QR Code:

Pursuant to the Policy, the Regional Water Board staff is providing notice of the proposed UST case closure to: the responsible party, environmental consultant on record, municipal and county water districts, water replenishment districts, special act districts with groundwater management authority, local water purveyor, agencies authorized to issue building permits for land affected by the petroleum release, owners and occupants of the property impacted by the petroleum release, and owners and occupants of all parcels adjacent to the impacted property, as applicable. This Notice will also be posted on the Regional Water Board's website.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

A draft Case Closure Summary has been prepared for the Former Flying Inn Motel and serves as the basis for UST Cleanup staff's recommendation for case closure to the Regional Water Board's Executive Officer. The document can be viewed or downloaded from the GeoTracker database at the link provided above. Copies of the draft Case Closure Summary are also available upon request by contacting Ms. Phan Le at phan.le@waterboards.ca.gov or (760) 776-8974.

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS

The Regional Water Board will accept written comments on the proposed case closure during a sixty (60) day public comment period, beginning **November 17, 2026**, and ending **January 18, 2027**. Persons wishing to submit written comments on the proposed case closure are requested to do so by **5:00 pm** on **January 18, 2027**, to be given sufficient consideration.

Interested persons are encouraged to submit their comments electronically. Comments can be submitted to Ms. Phan Le via e-mail: phan.le@waterboards.ca.gov (**if less than 10 megabytes in total size**), or by fax at (760) 341-6820 with the subject "**Comment Letter – Former Flying Inn Motel, Riverside County; Global ID No. T0606500754**". Written comments may also be mailed to:

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Colorado River Basin
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Attn: Ms. Phan Le

Please direct any questions regarding this Notice to Ms. Phan Le at (760) 776-8974 or phan.le@waterboards.ca.gov.

Contact us to request information in your language:

[Spanish: Comuníquese con nosotros para solicitar servicios lingüísticos o información en su idioma]; [Russian: Свяжитесь с нами, чтобы запросить информацию на вашем языке];
[Korean: 귀하의 언어로 작성된 정보를 요청하려면 저희에게 문의하십시오];
[Punjabi: ਆਪਣ ਭਸ਼ ਵਿਚ ਜਨਕਰ ਪਾਪਤ ਕਰਨ ਲਈ ਸਡ ਨਲ ਸਥਕ ਕਰ।];
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