

RESOLUTION NO. 12R-20

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
BIGHORN-DESERT VIEW WATER AGENCY
OPPOSING THE ELIMINATION OF THE
CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
COLORADO RIVER REGION #7**

WHEREAS, the Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency (Agency) is a retail water provider and special district serving the communities of Flamingo Heights, Johnson Valley and portions of Landers, CA, approximately 40 miles north of Palm Springs; and

WHEREAS, the Agency is within the State Water Resources Board, Regional Water Quality Control Board – Colorado River Region 7, which encompasses a large and unique geographic region including the Salton Sea, Imperial Valley, Coachella Valley, Morongo Basin, Twentynine Palms Marine Base and whose mission it is to protect water quality, preserving water resources and preventing pollution nuisance, contamination, and degradation of the quality of water; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's proposal to is to eliminate the Regional Board 7 and combine the Morongo Basin with the Lahontan Region; thereby requiring the Agency to travel further for local representation (by as much as 9 hours), thereby, increasing local costs; and

WHEREAS, there is not sufficient evidence to warrant this increase of burden and costs to the local agencies and community members; and

WHEREAS, the Agency believes it necessary to retain adequate representation on regulatory matters affecting water quality both within the Agency's service area and the entire Morongo Basin region;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency:

1. To oppose the elimination of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board – Colorado River Region 7.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors to Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency this 24th day of April 2012.

By 
Michael McBride, President of the Board

ATTEST:



David Larson, Secretary of the Board