

COACHELLA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
PROPOSAL REGARDING HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM LEGISLATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Directors of the Coachella Valley Water District at its meeting on October 22, 2024, at 8:00 a.m. which will be held at 51501 Tyler Street, Coachella, California, will consider a legislative proposal addressing liability protection that may arise from the Hexavalent Chromium regulation that went into effect October 1, 2024.

The legislative proposal seeks to establish law aimed at protecting water systems from third party liability by adding Health and Safety Code Section 116341 as follows:

(a) Notwithstanding the compliance deadlines for achieving the primary drinking water standard for Hexavalent Chromium, a public water system shall not be liable for any damages or any injunctive relief in, and shall have complete immunity from, any civil action while implementing a state board approved Hexavalent Chromium MCL Compliance Plan or when it has submitted a Hexavalent Chromium MCL Compliance Plan for approval and state board action on the proposed and submitted compliance plan is pending.

(b) Nothing in this section shall affect the state board's authority to enforce the primary drinking water standard for Hexavalent Chromium.

DATED: October 16, 2024

/s/Sylvia Bermudez
Clerk of the Board
Coachella Valley Water District