NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION
June 25, 2019

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE.

This notice is to provide the public an opportunity to comment on the Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians’ (“Tribe”) “Tribal Water Quality Standards.” On October 26, 2006 the Tribe was authorized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”), Region 9, to administer water quality standards and certification programs under the Clean Water Act, for all waters within the exterior boundaries of the Tribe’s Reservation or otherwise subject to the Tribe’s jurisdiction.

The Tribe’s Tribal Environmental Protection Agency worked closely with U.S. EPA to develop and promulgate Tribal Water Quality Standards. The Tribal Water Quality Standards were adopted by the Tribe on July 16, 2015 and by the U.S. EPA Region 9 on August 20, 2015. The Tribe’s goal and objective in enacting water quality standards is to protect its precious natural resources and special places. The standards for water quality will guide the protection of the Tribe’s waters for present and future generations.

Per the Water Quality Standards Regulation at 40 CFR 131.20, the Tribe is required to conduct triennial reviews of the Tribal Water Quality Standards to solicit public input on additions or revisions.

TRIENNIAL REVIEW

The Tribe’s Water Quality Standards may be viewed at https://www.29palmstribe.org/.

The Tribe is formally soliciting public input on the Tribal Water Quality Standards prior to development of revisions, updates, or other edits to the current document. Comments will be accepted at a public hearing on Tuesday, August 27, 2019 from 4:00 pm until 5:00 pm at the following address:

Spotlight 29 Casino
Medjool Room
46-200 Harrison Place
Coachella, CA 92236

Comments may also be sent by email to tepa@29palmsbomi-nsn.gov, or by mail to:

Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians
Attn: Tribal EPA
46-200 Harrison Place
Coachella, CA 92236