



# California Regional Water Quality Control Board

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### FEDERAL FACILITIES AGREEMENT (FFA) EXTENSION REQUEST, MCAS EL TORO

Dear Mr. Joyce:

We have reviewed your request for an extension dated June 29, 1999, for submittal of the draft Proposed Plan and draft Record of Decision for Operable Unit 1 (Site 18) and Operable Unit 2A (Site 24). You are requesting additional time for submittal of the Proposed Plan (January 28, 2000) and the draft Record of Decision (October 27, 2000). We have also reviewed your July 7, 1999 letter clarifying your extension request.

According to your June 29, 1999 letter, Orange County Water District and the Irvine Ranch Water District are considering significant changes to the design and purposes of the Irvine Desalter Project. Additional time is needed for the Water Districts to perform more groundwater modeling, and the Dept. of Navy to resolve potential conflicts of interest, to analyze new ARARS, complete new alternative cost estimates, prepare a Feasibility Study addendum and resume discussions with the Water Districts on settlement issues.

Based on these facts, your request for the extension seems appropriate and your request for the extension is granted.

If you should have any questions, please call me at (909) 782-4498.

Sincerely,

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DoD Section

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