

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 83- 43

EXEMPTION CRITERIA FOR THE WASTE DISCHARGE PROHIBITION FOR
LEACHING OR PERCOLATION INDIVIDUAL DISPOSAL SYSTEMS IN THE
HOMELAND-GREEN ACRES AND ROMOLAND AREA OF RIVERSIDE COUNTY
BY THE CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD,
SANTA ANA REGION

WHEREAS:

1. On September 17, 1982, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region, (Regional Board) adopted a waste discharge prohibition for leaching or percolation individual disposal systems in the Homeland-Green Acres and Romoland area of Riverside County.
2. On April 11, 1975, the Regional Board adopted the Water Quality Control Plan for the Santa Ana River Basin (basin plan). The Homeland-Green Acres and Romoland area's waste discharge prohibition adopted by the Regional Board constituted a basin plan amendment. The State Board approved the basin plan amendment on January 20, 1983.
3. The Regional Board developed criteria for exemption from the prohibition. The Regional Board made an environmental assessment of the impacts of adopting criteria for exemption from the prohibition. No unmitigated adverse impacts were identified.
4. The Regional Board conducted a public hearing and adopted Resolution No. 83-34 related to the exemption criteria on February 11, 1983. Notice of the public hearing was given to all interested persons and published in accordance with Water Code Section 13244.
5. The exemption criteria only apply to new development until September 17, 1987, when the ban on existing and new individual waste disposal systems using leaching or percolation systems will take effect. Existing systems can continue to be used until September 17, 1987, as long as they function properly so as not to cause nuisance, pollution of water quality, or public health problems.
6. The Regional Board may waive any of the exemption criteria based on special findings.
7. Although the exemption criteria do not explicitly authorize the use of seepage pits, mounds, evapotranspiration systems, and other alternative or innovative individual disposal systems, the criteria do not preclude their use. Use of alternative or innovative systems can be pursued by direct application to the Regional Board for exemptions from the ban based on special findings.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the State Board approve the exemption criteria for the waste discharge prohibition for leaching or percolation individual disposal systems in the Homeland-Green Acres and Romoland area of Riverside County.
2. That if a cost-effective wastewater treatment alternative to leaching or percolation individual disposal systems has not been selected by September 17, 1987, the Regional Board should reconsider the exemption criteria as they apply to existing development.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Executive Director of the State Water Resources Control Board, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on June 16, 1983.


Clint Whitney
Executive Director