STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2007-0037

APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE LOS ANGELES REGION (BASIN PLAN) TO INCORPORATE WATER-EFFECTS RATIOS FOR COPPER IN LOWER CALLEGUAS CREEK AND MUGU LAGOON LOCATED IN THE CALLEGUAS CREEK WATERSHED, VENTURA COUNTY

WHEREAS:

- 1. The Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Los Angeles Water Board) adopted a revised Basin Plan on June 13, 1994, which was approved by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) on November 17, 1994 and by the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) on February 23, 1995.
- On November 9, 2006, the Los Angeles Water Board adopted Resolution No. 2006-022 (<u>Attachment</u>) amending the Basin Plan to incorporate water-effects ratios (WERs) for copper in Lower Calleguas Creek and Mugu Lagoon located in the Calleguas Creek watershed.
- 3. The Los Angeles Water Board found that the detailed technical report titled, "Proposed Amendments to the Water Quality Control Plan to Incorporate Water-Effects Ratios (Watereffects ratios) for Copper in Lower Calleguas Creek and Mugu Lagoon," the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Checklist, the staff report, supporting documentation, and the response to comments comply with the requirements of the State Water Board's certified regulatory CEQA process, as set forth in the California Code of Regulations, Title 23, section 3775 et seq.
- 4. The State Water Board finds that the Basin Plan amendment is in conformance with Water Code section 13240, which specifies that Regional Water Quality Control Boards may revise Basin Plans, and section 13242, which requires adoption of an implementation program to achieve water quality objectives.
- 5. On November 9, 2006, the Los Angeles Water Board held a public hearing to consider the Basin Plan amendment. Notice of the Public Hearing was given to all interested persons and published in accordance with Water Code section 13244.
- 6. The Los Angeles Water Board found that the Basin Plan amendment will not lower the water quality of the candidate water bodies, relative to existing conditions because additional loadings of copper are not anticipated. Therefore, the modifications are consistent with the State's antidegradation policy (State Board Resolution No. 68-16) and federal antidegradation requirements.
- The Los Angeles Water Board found that pursuant to section 711.4(d)(1) of the California Fish and Game code, the proposed amendment will result in not more than a de minimis adverse effect on fish and wildlife.
- 8. The Los Angeles Water Board certified the final CEQA substitute environmental documentation prepared in accordance with Public Resources Code section 21159 and California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 15187.

9. This Basin Plan amendment will not become effective until approved by the State Water Board, OAL, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA); a Notice of Decision has been filed with the Secretary of the California Resources Agency.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board:

- 1. Approves the amendment to the Basin Plan adopted under Los Angeles Water Board Resolution No. 2006-022.
- 2. Authorizes the Executive Director or designee to submit the amendment adopted under Los Angeles Water Board Resolution No. 2006-022 to the Office of Administrative Law for approval of the regulatory provisions and to USEPA for approval of the WERs for copper.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Clerk to the 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 Board held on June 19, 2007.

- AYE: Tam M. Doduc Gary Wolff, P.E., Ph.D. Arthur G. Baggett, Jr. Charles R. Hoppin Frances Spivy-Weber
- NO: None
- ABSENT: None
- ABSTAIN: None

Song Her Clerk to the Board