## CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

## Order No. 75-274

## REVISION AND AMENDMENT OF THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN, SACRAMENTO RIVER BASIN (5A) BY THE ADDITION OF A PROHIBITION OF WASTE DISCHARGE FROM LEACHING AND PERCOLATION SYSTEMS WITHIN THE BELL ROAD COMMUNITY (INCLUDING PANORAMA AND PEARL SUBDIVISIONS) AUBURN, PLACER COUNTY

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board. Central Valley Region, (hereafter Board) finds that:

- 1. The Board, on 25 July 1975, adopted a Water Quality Control Plan for the Sacramento River Basin (5A).
- 2. The Plan contains areas where the discharge of waste from leaching and percolation systems is prohibited.
- 3. The Bell Road community (including Panorama and Pearl subdivisions) is located three miles north of downtown Auburn and just west of Highway 49, with surface water drainage to Dry Creek and Deadman Canyon, both tributaries to Coon Creek, and North Ravine, tributary to Auburn Ravine.
- 4. The beneficial uses of Dry Creek, Deadman Canyon, Coon Creek, North Ravine, and Auburn Ravine are: domestic and agricultural supply; recreation; esthetic enjoyment; and preservation and enhancement of fish, wildlife, and other aquatic resources.
- 5. The beneficial uses of the groundwater are: domestic and agricultural supply.
- 6. A May 1975 survey by the Placer County Health Department indicated that 63 of the 123 individual sewage systems were failing or suspected failures, and another 20 had been repaired due to past failures.
- 7. The area of concern is indicated on the attached maps as surveyed by the Placer County Health Department.
- 8. The Placer County Health Officer has recommended abatement of new construction in the area since November 1965.
- Continued installation and usage of leaching and percolation systems will increase the threat to public health and will further unreasonably impair water quality.

10. On 21 November 1975 in the City Hall Council Chambers, Redding, after due public notice, the Board conducted a public hearing at which evidence was received concerning the discharge of wastes from individual sewage disposal systems.

## IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The discharge of waste within the Bell Road community (including Panorama and Pearl subdivisions), as delineated on the attached maps, from leaching or percolation systems installed after approval of this amendment by the State Water Resources Control Board is prohibited. An exemption to this prohibition may be granted by the Executive Officer after presentation by the proposed discharge of geologic and hydrologic evidence that leaching system disposal will not individually or collectively, result in a pollution or nuisance.
- 2. The discharge of waste within the Bell Road community (including Panorama and Pearl subdivisions) from leaching or percolation systems is prohibited after 1 January 1980. An exemption to this prohibition may be granted whenever the Board finds that the continued operation of individual sewage disposal systems in a particular area will not, individually or collectively, directly or indirectly, adversely affect water quality.
- Chapter V of the Water Quality Control Plan is revised by the addition of this prohibition, upon approval of the State Water Resources Control Board.

I, JAMES A. ROBERTSON, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, on 21 November 1975.

SON, Executive Officer

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