

ITEM: 7

SUBJECT: Non-Regulatory Amendments to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Sacramento and San Joaquin River Basins to Correct Editing Errors and Update Language

BOARD ACTION: *Consideration of Adoption of Proposed Amendments and Filing of Draft Environmental Documents*

BACKGROUND: Basin Plans form the basis for regulatory actions by Regional Water Boards taken to protect waters of the state and to assure compliance with the California Water Code. The preparation and adoption of a Basin Plan is required by CWC section 13240, which implements provisions of the federal Clean Water Act (CWA). Errors in the text should be corrected and the language should be updated to assure that all stakeholders are aware of the applicable regulations.

The proposed amendments will correct an error in the beneficial uses of the Marsh Creek and Marsh Creek Reservoir that was introduced during the drafting of the third edition of the Basin Plan, and will correct an error in the water quality objectives for boron that was introduced during the drafting of the fourth edition of the Basin Plan. The proposed amendments also will update references in the Basin Plan to the State Water Board's Water Quality Control Plan for the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary, will integrate into the Basin Plan the State Water Board's Water Quality Enforcement Policy, the Nonpoint Source Implementation and Enforcement Policy, and the Compliance Schedule Policy, will revise the waiver discussion to be consistent with the current California Water Code (CWC), and will make other language updates.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the proposed basin plan amendment.

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