

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
SAN DIEGO REGION

RESOLUTION NO. 94-10

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AN UPDATE TO THE  
WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN  
FOR THE SAN DIEGO BASIN

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 13240 et seq. of the CALIFORNIA WATER CODE, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region, (Regional Board) caused to be developed the Comprehensive Water Quality Control Plan, San Diego Basin (9) (Basin Plan); and

WHEREAS, the Regional Board, in accord with Section 13244 of the CALIFORNIA WATER CODE, on March 17, 1975, adopted the Comprehensive Water Quality Control Plan, San Diego Basin (9); and

WHEREAS, the Regional Board has adopted amendments to the Basin Plan from time to time since March 17, 1975, all of which modified beneficial uses protected and/or water quality objectives and/or policies of the Regional Board; and

WHEREAS, Regional Board staff released drafts of the Basin Plan on January 11, 1994, June 1994, and August 1994 for public review; and

WHEREAS, a summary report dated January 1994 describing the proposed amendments and containing environmental documentation functionally equivalent to the California Environmental Quality Act requirements and a supplemental summary report dated June 1994 was transmitted to interested individuals and public agencies for review and comment; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Board held public hearings on February 10, 1994, April 14, 1994, and July 28, 1994 for the purpose of receiving testimony on proposed amendments that update the Basin Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Board has reviewed and carefully considered all comments and testimony received relative to the proposed amendments; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Board revised and updated the Basin Plan. The update of the Basin Plan incorporates adopted amendments to the Plan into the main text, and includes relevant laws, regulations and policies adopted or revised since 1975. In addition to substantial editorial changes, the updated Basin Plan includes updated beneficial use definitions, as well as

clarification of policies regarding the regulation of many waste discharge activities in the San Diego Region. The updated Basin Plan has a new format designed for statewide consistency among regional basin plans. The following major changes are proposed in this Basin Plan update:

- a. Revise the format for statewide consistency;
- b. Incorporate adopted amendments into main text;
- c. Revise and update the Introduction Chapter, the Implementation Chapter, the Plans and Policies Chapter, and the Surveillance, Monitoring, and Assessment Chapter to reflect the current situation;
- d. Revise beneficial use definitions for statewide consistency;
- e. Add a new beneficial use for Estuarine Habitat and designate for some coastal waters;
- f. Designate beneficial uses for surface waters by water body instead of by hydrologic units;
- g. Revise beneficial use designations for Preservation of Biological Habitats of Special Significance (BIOL), Rare, Threatened, or Endangered Species (RARE), and Migration of Aquatic Organisms (MIGR);
- h. Add a water quality objective for toluene for waters designated Municipal and Domestic Supply Water (MUN);
- i. Establish a minimum boron water quality objective of 0.75 mg/l;
- j. Modify the water quality objective for bays and estuaries such that pH shall not be depressed below 7.0 nor raised above 9.0;
- k. Amend the water quality objectives for pesticides; and
- l. Make editorial changes and error corrections throughout Basin Plan.

WHEREAS, the Regional Board has determined that the proposed amendments will not have a significant adverse effect on the environment; and

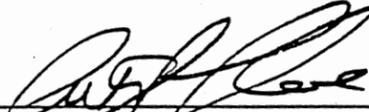
WHEREAS, the Regional Board has determined that the proposed amendments would not add pollutants to either ground or surface waters of the San Diego Region; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Board has determined that the proposed amendments would be consistent with State Board Resolution No. 68-16 and the Federal Antidegradation Policy.

NOW THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED, that the Water Quality Control Plan, San Diego Basin (9) be revised as shown in Attachment 1 to this Resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, the Regional Board Executive Officer is authorized to sign the "California Department of Fish and Game, Certificate of Fee Exemption De Minimus Impact Finding" as shown in Attachment 2 to this Resolution.

I, Arthur L. Coe, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region, on September 8, 1994.



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ARTHUR L. COE  
Executive Officer