

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

RESOLUTION NO. 95-076

ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN  
AND REQUESTING APPROVAL FROM  
THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

Whereas, the Regional Water Board has developed proposed amendments to the Water Quality Control Plan for the San Francisco Bay Basin (Basin Plan) in accordance with Section 13240 et seq. of the California Water Code;

Whereas, an amendment to the "Continuing Planning" section of Chapter IV of the proposed Basin Plan is being prepared as part of the Regional Water Board's triennial review process to prioritize use of its planning resources;

Whereas, the proposed Basin Plan amendments incorporate updated information and programmatic descriptions, and provisions of amendments that have undergone public review and were previously approved;

Whereas, the Regional Water Board notified the Public on January 15, 1995 and circulated draft sets of the proposed Basin Plan amendments, triennial review workplan, and staff report and functional equivalent document dated January 17, 1995;

Whereas, in the staff report and functional equivalent document, the Regional Water Board identified alternatives to the proposed amendments and prepared an environmental checklist in compliance with the Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq. (CEQA) and found that no significant adverse environmental impacts would result from implementation of the proposed Basin Plan amendments;

Whereas, public hearings were held on February 15, March 15, and April 19 of 1995 to receive testimony on the proposed amendments and triennial review workplan;

Whereas, modifications to the proposed amendments and staff report were made in response to comments received, as summarized in the Summary of Response (March 15, 1995), Amendments to the Staff Report and Functional Equivalent Document (March 28, 1995), Supplemental Responses to Public Review Comments (April 17, 1995), and Response to Public Comments Concerning Outstanding Issues (June 9, 1995);

Whereas, the Amendments to the Staff Report and Functional Equivalent

Document (dated March 28, 1995) contain a revised environmental checklist which found that no significant adverse environmental impacts would result from implementation of the proposed Basin Plan amendments;

Whereas, the State Department of Fish and Game, upon consultation pursuant to the California Endangered Species Act (CESA), has requested specific provisions be adopted, along with the proposed Basin Plan amendments, to provide adequate protection for threatened and endangered species in the absence of statewide water quality control plans;

Whereas, the Regional Water Board, in a public meeting held on June 21, 1995, heard and considered all comments pertaining to the proposed Basin Plan amendments; and

Whereas, the proposed Basin Plan amendments are consistent with the requirements of the Federal Clean Water Act, as amended.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

1. The Regional Water Board adopts the proposed Basin Plan amendments, dated January 17, 1995, as modified as described above and at the public hearing on June 21, 1995.
2. The Executive Officer is authorized to approve minor changes in the text, subsequent to the adoption, such as correction of grammar, spelling or changing from passive to active voice, and changes in format necessary to transform the text into a camera-ready document for reproduction and public distribution.
3. The State Water Resources Control Board (State Board) is requested to promptly approve the proposed Basin Plan amendments in accordance with Sections 13245 and 13246 of the California Water Code.
4. Upon approval, the State Board is requested to transmit the Basin Plan amendments to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Office of Administrative Laws for approval.
5. The Regional Water Board will work with the Department of Fish and Game to ensure that threatened and endangered species are protected pursuant to the Fish and Game Code Section 2055. Within three years of notifications from the Department of Fish and Game that specific water bodies support threatened or endangered species, the Regional Water

Board shall develop and adopt adequately protective site-specific objectives for the specific water bodies for constituents determined not protective of such species.

6. The Regional Water Board approves the list of issues identified through public review as a basis for developing the triennial review workplan. Staff are directed to prepare a final workplan for prioritizing planning resources over the next three years and to bring this back to the Board for consideration.

I, Steven R. Ritchie, Executive Officer, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region, on June 21, 1995.



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STEVEN R. RITCHIE  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER