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Chapter 23. Water Quality Control Plans

The following amendments are to be made to existing section 3013, "Amendment to Water Quality Control Plans for Inland Surface Waters and Enclosed Bays and Estuaries and Ocean Waters of California Adopted by the State Water Resources Control Board on April 2, 2019 and amended April 6, 2021."

Amendment to California Code of Regulations, Division 3, Chapter 23, section 3013.

On April 2, 2019, the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) adopted Resolution No. 2019-0015, which adopted the State Wetland Definition and Procedures for Discharges of Dredged or Fill Material to Waters of the State (referred to as the Procedures). On April 6, 2021, the State Water Board adopted Resolution No. 2021-0012, which stated that the Procedures are for inclusion in the Water Quality Control Plan for Ocean Waters of California and the Water Quality Control Plan for Inland Surface Waters, Enclosed Bays, and Estuaries of California for waters of the United States.

The Procedures establish:

- (1) A wetland definition for all State and Regional Water Quality Control Board programs.
- (2) A jurisdictional framework for determining if a feature that meets the wetland definition is a water of the state.
- (3) Wetland delineation procedures.
- (4) Procedures for the submittal, review and approval of applications for Water Quality Certifications and Waste Discharge Requirements for dredge or fill activities.

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Chapter 22. State Policy for Water Quality Control

The following section 2926 "State Policy for Water Quality Control: State Wetland Definition and Procedures for Discharges of Dredged or Fill Material to Waters of the State" is to be added to Title 23 of the California Code of Regulations.

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April 6, 2021, the State Water Board adopted Resolution No. 2021-0012, which confirmed that the Procedures are effective as state policy for water quality control for all waters of the state.

The Procedures establish:

- (1) A wetland definition for all State and Regional Water Quality Control Board programs.
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