

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

RESOLUTION NO. R5-2009-0059

APPROVAL OF THE
2008 INTEGRATED REPORT OF FEDERAL CLEAN WATER ACT (CWA) SECTION
305(b) AND SECTION 303(d) LIST OF
WATER QUALITY LIMITED SEGMENTS

WHEREAS: the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (Regional Water Board) finds that:

1. Section 305(b) of the Clean Water Act (CWA) requires each State to monitor, assess and report on the quality of its waters relative to the designated uses.
2. Section 303(d) of the CWA requires the State to identify surface waters that do not meet applicable water quality standards even after application of certain technology-based controls.
3. The 2008 Integrated Report includes the requirements of CWA Section 305(b) and Section 303(d).
4. The list of waters identified under the CWA section 303(d) must also include a description of the pollutants causing impairment and priority ranking of the waters for the purposes of development of Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs).
5. The Regional Water Board's 303(d) List is reviewed and updated as necessary and is subject to the approval of the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA). The Regional Water Board's 303(d) List was last updated in 2006 by the State Water Board and approved by the USEPA in 2007.
6. In developing the Regional Water Board's 2008 Integrated Report, Regional Water Board staff relied on the State Water Quality Control Policy for Developing California's Clean Water Act Section 303(d) List (Listing Policy), as well as applicable federal guidelines and regulations.
7. On 4 December 2006, the State Water Board initiated solicitation of water quality information and data from the public. The deadline of 28 February 2007 was specified for submittal of water quality data and information to the Regional Water Board's staff for consideration for the Regional Water Board's 2008 Integrated Report.

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8. In developing the Regional Water Board's 2008 Integrated Report, the Regional Water Board has considered all readily available data and information.
9. On 22 January 2009, the Regional Water Board released a draft 2008 Integrated Report for the Central Valley Region for public review and comment.
10. On 10 March 2009, the Regional Water Board staff held a Public Workshop, in Rancho Cordova, California, to solicit comments from interested parties on the Regional Water Board's 2008 Integrated Report.
11. After reviewing all relevant evidence submitted before or during the comment period for the Regional Water Board's 2008 Integrated Report, Regional Water Board staff has:
 - For 305(b), made overall beneficial use support ratings for the water bodies that have been assessed for this 2008 assessment cycle. Categories 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 of the Regional Water Board's 2008 Integrated Report reflect the outcome of the overall use support ratings.
 - For 303(d), made recommendations to add, remove or change the 2006 CWA Section 303(d) list of water body-pollutant combinations for the Regional Water Board's 2008 Integrated Report. The 303(d) list is reflected in Categories 4 and 5 of this Integrated Report.
12. The Regional Water Board has received comments on the proposed Regional Water Board's 2008 Integrated Report, responded to all comments received by the deadline of 16 March 2009, and has revised portions of the Integrated Report, including several 303(d) listing decisions, in response to comments received.
13. The Regional Water Board released a draft final 2008 Integrated Report for the Regional Water Board on 11 May 2009, which included written responses to the comments received by the 16 March 2009 deadline.
14. On 11 June 2009, the Regional Water Board held a Public Hearing to consider the adoption of the Regional Water Board's 2008 Integrated Report, including the revised 303(d) List. The Regional Water Board considered all evidence provided by Regional Water Board staff and the public.


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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Regional Water Board, in fulfillment of the requirements described in Clean Water Act section 305(b) and Clean Water Act section 303(d), hereby approves the Regional Water Board's 2008 Integrated Report, including updates to the 303(d) List of Impaired Waters and TMDL schedules;
and
2. The Executive Officer is authorized to transmit the Regional Water Board's 2008 Integrated Report, including the revised 303(d) List, and other supporting information to the State Water Board for its consideration and approval.

I, PAMELA C. CREEDON, 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, Central Valley Region, on 11 June 2009.



PAMELA C. CREEDON, Executive Officer