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Ms. Alexis Strauss, Director (WTR-1)  
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Dear Ms. Strauss:

### TRANSMITTAL OF THE 2006 CLEAN WATER ACT SECTION 303(d) LIST OF WATER QUALITY LIMITED SEGMENTS FOR CALIFORNIA

On October 25, 2006 the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) approved the 2006 Clean Water Act section 303(d) list of water quality limited segments for California (2006 section 303(d) list) under Resolution No. 2006-0079. Pursuant to federal regulations, the State Water Board is submitting the 2006 section 303(d) list and supporting documentation. The 2006 section 303(d) list has three parts:

1. List of Water Quality Limited Segments Still Needing Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDL),
2. List of Water Quality Limited Segments Being Addressed By U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) Approved TMDLs, and
3. List of Water Quality Limited Segments Being Addressed By Actions Other Than TMDLs.

The 2006 section 303(d) list and supporting documentation listed below are being sent separately to Mr. David Smith of your office. Changes recommended for the 2006 section 303(d) list are presented in the enclosed staff report titled "Revision of the Clean Water Act Section 303(d) List of Water Quality Limited Segments." The staff report has the following four parts:

- (1) Volume I contains the listing methodology used; summaries of the proposed additions, deletions, and area changes; the 2002 California 303(d) list; and references to all data and information in the administrative record;

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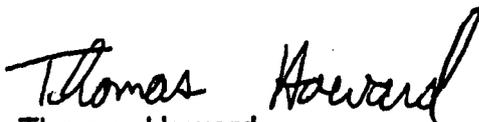
- (2) Volume II contains the fact sheets supporting recommendations for listing, delisting, and area changes for the North Coast, San Francisco Bay, Central Coast, and Los Angeles Regions;
- (3) Volume III contains the fact sheets supporting recommendations for listing, delisting, and area changes for the Central Valley, Lahontan, Colorado River Basin, Santa Ana, and San Diego Regions; and
- (4) Volume IV contains the State Water Board staff response to comments received between the periods of September 30, 2005 to January 31, 2006 and September 20, 2006 to October 10, 2006. Response to comments received between October 11, 2006 and October 20, 2006 were addressed generally by staff at the October 25, 2006 State Water Board Meeting (Board Meeting). Proceedings of the Board Meeting were recorded, and two digital video disks (DVD) are enclosed for your review.

Two additional staff reports in support of "Do Not List" and "Do Not Delist" recommendations for each region are also enclosed.

During the Board Meeting, State Water Board staff were directed to draw your attention to the Klamath River and Pescadero Creek sediment listings. If the Klamath River listing is on tribal lands, USEPA should place this water body and pollutant on the section 303(d) list for the tribal lands. It is not the State Water Board's intent that this listing affect other actions related to decommission and removal of dams on the Klamath River. If the California Department of Fish and Game and the National Marine Fisheries Service find that the fish populations in Pescadero Creek are not impacted, the State Water Board supports removing this water body from the list.

If you have any questions on this subject, please telephone me at (916) 341-5611. The staff person most knowledgeable on this issue is Craig J. Wilson, Water Quality Assessment Unit, and he can be reached at (916) 341-5560 (cjwilson@waterboards.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

  
Thomas Howard  
Acting Executive Director

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(with Enclosures CD-R and DVDs)

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