

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD  
RESOLUTION NO. 76-5

AMENDMENT OF STANDARD PERMIT CLAUSES 2a, 2b AND 2c

WHEREAS:

1. Standard permit clauses 2a, 2b and 2c relate, respectively to the length of time allowed under new permits to start construction (nine months), complete construction (two years), and complete use of water (three years).
2. Extension of any of these times can be authorized only in response to a petition for extension of time.
3. Experience in administering these permit clauses indicates that the time periods allowed are unrealistic in that many permittees, although exercising due diligence, cannot proceed rapidly enough to meet the time limitations and must petition for their extension.
4. Processing such routine time extension petitions based on excusable delays is inefficient, results in unnecessary costs, and fails to provide petitioners with timely decisions.
5. More reasonable periods of time allowed under new permits to start construction, complete construction, and complete use of water are two years, three years, and four years, respectively.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the State Water Resources Control Board amends standard permit clauses 2a, 2b and 2c to read as follows:

2a - Title: Begin Construction

When Used: All permits except those for which construction on project has commenced, in which case no term is used.

Term: Actual construction work shall begin on or before Two years from date of permit and shall thereafter be prosecuted with reasonable diligence, and if not so commenced and prosecuted, this permit may be revoked.

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2b - Title: Complete Construction

When Used: All permits except those for which construction has been completed.

Said construction work shall be completed on or before \_\_\_\_\_\*.

For routine permits: \*December 1, of the third year following the year of permit.

For larger projects: \*December 1, with the year depending on various factors. An estimate should be made from the information in the application or from other information available.

2c - Title: Complete Use

When Used: All permits.

Complete application of the water to the proposed use shall be made on or before \_\_\_\_\_\*.

\*December 1, of the fourth year following the year of permit; except where use is for municipal or for other projects which will require a longer time to develop full use after construction is complete.

#### CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Executive Officer of the State Water Resources Control Board, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on January 22, 1976.

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