

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 2002 - 0165

THE SANTA ANA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD (SARWQCB)
REQUESTS FUNDING \$3,000,000 FROM THE CLEANUP AND ABATEMENT ACCOUNT
(CAA) TO FUND EMERGENCY CAA OF THE EFFECTS OF PERCHLORATE
POLLUTION ON PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY WELLS IN THE RIALTO, COLTON, AND
CHINO GROUNDWATER SUB-BASINS

WHEREAS:

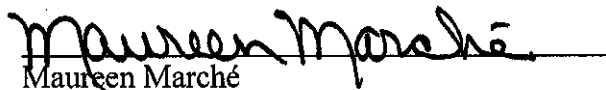
1. The Rialto, Colton, and Chino Groundwater sub-basins are sources of water for municipal and domestic use;
2. As a direct result of perchlorate pollution, more than twenty municipal wells operated by the Cities of Rialto and Colton, West Bernardino County Water District, and Fontana Water Company have been taken out of service or have had their use severely restricted;
3. This has resulted in the potential for a water supply crisis during peak use periods unless alternative water supply sources, such as temporary wellhead treatment, can be found;
4. The perchlorate plume is believed to be moving and immediate treatment will mitigate its expansion;
5. The affected water purveyors do not have adequate resources to support this burden without outside financial assistance;
6. Numerous industrial waste dischargers have been identified as potential sources of the pollution and cost recovery efforts have been initiated by the SARWQCB; and
7. Emergency funding from the CAA Account will assist in the cleanup of perchlorate pollution in public water supply wells.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The SWRCB approves funding of \$3,000,000 from the Cleanup and Abatement Account to support temporary wellhead treatment as an alternative water supply in the Rialto, Colton, and Chino groundwater subbasins.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Clerk to the 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 November 19, 2002.


Maureen Marché
Clerk to the Board