

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD  
**RESOLUTION NO. 2003 - 0060**

APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR  
THE CENTRAL COAST REGION TO ESTABLISH A TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD FOR PATHOGENS FOR  
MORRO BAY AND CHORRO AND LOS OSOS CREEKS

WHEREAS:

1. The Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board) adopted a revised Water Quality Control Plan (Basin Plan) on February 11, 1994, which was approved by the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) on May 18, 1994, by the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) on September 7, 1994, and by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) on May 29, 2000.
2. Morro Bay was identified in 1998 as water quality limited by pathogens for Shellfish Harvesting and Water Contact Recreation.
3. On December 13, 2002, the Regional Board adopted Resolution No. R3-2002-0117 to incorporate a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for pathogens in Morro Bay, Chorro and Los Osos Creeks, and freshwater seeps into the Basin Plan; and on May 16, 2003, the Regional Board adopted revisions to the TMDL ([Attachment 1](#)).
4. SWRCB finds that the Basin Plan amendment titled "A total maximum daily load and implementation plan for pathogens for Morro Bay and Chorro and Los Osos Creeks" is in conformance with the requirements for TMDL development specified in section 303(d) of the Federal Clean Water Act.
5. Regional Board Resolution No. 2002-0117 delegated to the Regional Board Executive Officer authority to make minor, non-substantive corrections to the adopted amendment, if needed, for clarity or consistency. By memorandum dated August 12, 2003, the Regional Board Executive Officer has made the necessary corrections to the amendment ([Attachment 2](#)).
6. The Regional Board prepared documents and followed procedures satisfying environmental documentation requirements in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act and other State laws and regulations.
7. A Basin Plan amendment does not become effective until approved by SWRCB and until the amendment's regulatory provisions are approved by OAL.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

SWRCB:

1. Approves the amendment to the Regional Board Basin Plan adopted under Regional Board Resolution No. R3-2002-0117 as corrected by the Executive Officer.
2. Authorizes the Executive Director or designee to transmit the amendment and administrative record for this action to OAL and the TMDL to USEPA for approval.

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 September 16, 2003.

  
Debbie Irvin  
Clerk to the Board