STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2016-0058

APPROVING AN AMENDMENT OF THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE CENTRAL COASTAL BASIN TO REVISE BENEFICIAL USE DESIGNATIONS AND TO MAKE EDITORIAL CHANGES

WHEREAS:

- On July 28, 2016, the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Coast Water Board) adopted <u>Resolution No. R3-2016-0030</u> amending the Water Quality Control Plan for the Central Coastal Basin (Basin Plan) to revise beneficial use designations and to make editorial changes.
- 2. The Central Coast Water Board found that the analysis contained in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) "Substitute Environmental Documents" for the proposed Basin Plan amendment, including the CEQA checklist, the final staff report entitled "Amending the Water Quality Control Plan for the Central Coastal Basin to Revise Beneficial Use Designations and to Make Editorial Changes Project Report," and the responses to comments complies with the State Water Resources Control Board's (State Water Board) regulations for the implementation of CEQA, as set forth in the California Code of Regulations, Title 23, section 3775 through 3781. The State Water Board has reviewed the Substitute Environmental Documents for the Basin Plan amendment and concurs with the Central Coast Water Board's findings and determinations.
- The Central Coast Water Board also adopted the Basin Plan amendment pursuant to the "necessity" standard of the Administrative Procedures Act, Government Code section 11353, subdivision (b).
- 4. The Central Coast Water Board found the Basin Plan amendment is consistent with the Statement of Policy with Respect to Maintaining High Quality of Waters in California (State Water Board Resolution No. 68-16) and the federal Antidegradation Policy (40 Code of Federal Regulations 131.12) in that it does not allow degradation of water quality, but requires restoration of water quality and attainment of water quality standards.
- 5. The State Water Board finds that the Basin Plan amendment is in conformance with Water Code section 13240, which specifies that regional water quality control boards may periodically review and revise Water Quality Control Plans.
- A Basin Plan amendment does not become effective until approved by the State Water Board and until the regulatory provisions are approved by California Office of Administrative Law. The amendment must also receive approval from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board:

- 1. Approves the amendment to the Basin Plan adopted under Central Coast Water Board Resolution No. R3-2016-0030.
- 2. Authorizes the Executive Director or designee to submit the amendment adopted under Central Coast Water Board Resolution No. R3-2016-0030 as approved, and the administrative record for this action to the California Office of Administrative Law and to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 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 November 15, 2016.

AYE: Vice Chair Frances Spivy-Weber Board Member Tam M. Doduc Board Member Steven Moore Board Member Dorene D'Adamo

NAY: None

ABSENT: Chair Felicia Marcus

ABSTAIN: None

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