

**LATE REVISIONS**  
**Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region**  
**Board Meeting – 27/28 March 2014**  
**ITEM #28**

**Amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Sacramento and San Joaquin River Basins to Provide a Groundwater Regulatory Framework towards Closure of the Royal Mountain King Mine Site, Calaveras County - *Consideration of Resolution Adopting the Proposed Basin Plan Amendment and Substitute Environmental Documentation***

**Staff Report**

Page 27, Revise as follows (delete strikethrough text and add text in bold and underline):

Closure WDRs for the Site: Groundwater monitoring has not shown poor-quality groundwater to be migrating in the subsurface to areas not addressed in this Proposed Amendment. (SES, 2011; SLR, 2013c.) Poor-quality groundwater, whether naturally occurring or degraded due to contact with waste rock materials in the FTR, the FTR ODS and portions of the West ODS, will continue to flow towards Skyrocket Pit Lake as long as Meridian maintains ~~target~~ water levels within Skyrocket Pit **in conformity with the Basin Plan**. Meridian will also be required to continue collecting similar poor-quality groundwater at the FTR LCRS and from seeps at the toes of the Gold Knoll ODS and West ODS. Meridian will also continue to transfer the seepage collected in sumps to Skyrocket Pit Lake for temporary storage before it is discharged to Littlejohns Creek under conditions specified in Meridian's NPDES permit. The closure WDRs issued to regulate the WMUs will implement Title 27 of the California Code of Regulations. As mentioned above, Title 27 classifies mining waste based on the threat posed by soluble concentrations of waste constituents that may threaten waters of the state (including groundwater). After the AGR and MUN beneficial uses have been de-designated in areas of the Site, the WMUs will no longer threaten to cause impacts above applicable water quality objectives for groundwater in those areas.