

**State of California  
Office of Administrative Law**

**In re:**  
**State Water Resources Control Board**

**Regulatory Action:**

**Title 23, California Code of Regulations**

**Adopt sections: 3949.14**

**Amend sections:**

**Repeal sections:**

**NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF REGULATORY  
ACTION**

**Government Code Section 11349.3**

**OAL Matter Number: 2018-0316-03**

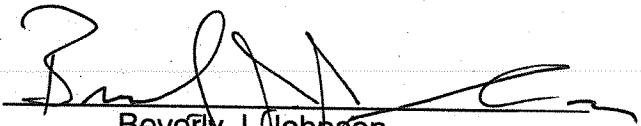
**OAL Matter Type: Regular (S)**

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This rulemaking action by the State Water Resources Control Board amends the Water Quality Control Plan for the Sacramento and San Joaquin River Basins to establish salinity water quality objectives in the Lower San Joaquin River upstream of Vernalis and reduce reliance on New Melones Reservoir water releases to meet salinity water quality objectives at Vernalis.

OAL approves this regulatory action pursuant to section 11349.3 of the Government Code. This regulatory action becomes effective on 4/19/2018.

**Date:** April 19, 2018

  
Beverly J. Johnson  
Deputy Director

**For:** Debra M. Cornez  
Director

**Original:** Eileen Sobeck, Executive  
Director

**Copy:** James Brownell

**NOTICE PUBLICATION/REGULATIONS SUBMISSION**

**REGULAR 11353**  
(See instructions on reverse)

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STD. 400 (REV. 01-2013)

OAL FILE NUMBERS	NOTICE FILE NUMBER <b>Z-</b>	REGULATORY ACTION NUMBER <b>2018-0316-036</b>	EMERGENCY NUMBER
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<p>NOTICE</p>	<p>REGULATIONS</p>
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AGENCY WITH RULEMAKING AUTHORITY  
State Water Resources Control Board

AGENCY FILE NUMBER (if any)  
2018-0002

**A. PUBLICATION OF NOTICE (Complete for publication in Notice Register)**

1. SUBJECT OF NOTICE		TITLE(S)	FIRST SECTION AFFECTED	2. REQUESTED PUBLICATION DATE
3. NOTICE TYPE <input type="checkbox"/> Notice re Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Regulatory Action <input type="checkbox"/> Other		4. AGENCY CONTACT PERSON		TELEPHONE NUMBER
FAX NUMBER (Optional)		OAL USE ONLY		NOTICE REGISTER NUMBER
ACTION ON PROPOSED NOTICE <input type="checkbox"/> Approved as Submitted <input type="checkbox"/> Approved as Modified <input type="checkbox"/> Disapproved/Withdrawn		PUBLICATION DATE		

**B. SUBMISSION OF REGULATIONS (Complete when submitting regulations)**

1a. SUBJECT OF REGULATION(S) Establishment of Salinity Objectives in the Lower San Joaquin River	1b. ALL PREVIOUS RELATED OAL REGULATORY ACTION NUMBER(S)
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2. SPECIFY CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS TITLE(S) AND SECTION(S) (Including title 26, if toxics related)	
SECTION(S) AFFECTED (List all section number(s) individually. Attach additional sheet if needed.)	ADOPT 3949.14
	AMEND
TITLE(S) 23	REPEAL

3. TYPE OF FILING			
<input type="checkbox"/> Regular Rulemaking (Gov. Code §11346)	<input type="checkbox"/> Certificate of Compliance: The agency officer named below certifies that this agency complied with the provisions of Gov. Code §§11346.2-11347.3 either before the emergency regulation was adopted or within the time period required by statute.	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Readopt (Gov. Code, §11346.1(h))	<input type="checkbox"/> Changes Without Regulatory Effect (Cal. Code Regs., title 1, §100)
<input type="checkbox"/> Resubmittal of disapproved or withdrawn nonemergency filing (Gov. Code §§11349.3, 11349.4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Resubmittal of disapproved or withdrawn emergency filing (Gov. Code, §11346.1)	<input type="checkbox"/> File & Print	<input type="checkbox"/> Print Only
<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency (Gov. Code, §11346.1(b))		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) <u>Govt Code 11353</u>	

4. ALL BEGINNING AND ENDING DATES OF AVAILABILITY OF MODIFIED REGULATIONS AND/OR MATERIAL ADDED TO THE RULEMAKING FILE (Cal. Code Regs. title 1, §44 and Gov. Code §11347.1)

5. EFFECTIVE DATE OF CHANGES (Gov. Code, §§ 11343.4, 11346.1(d); Cal. Code Regs., title 1, §100)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Effective January 1, April 1, July 1, or October 1 (Gov. Code §11343.4(a))	<input type="checkbox"/> Effective on filing with Secretary of State	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100 Changes Without Regulatory Effect	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Effective other (Specify) <u>Upon approval (Govt Code 11353)</u>

6. CHECK IF THESE REGULATIONS REQUIRE NOTICE TO, OR REVIEW, CONSULTATION, APPROVAL OR CONCURRENCE BY, ANOTHER AGENCY OR ENTITY			
<input type="checkbox"/> Department of Finance (Form STD. 399) (SAM §6660)	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair Political Practices Commission	<input type="checkbox"/> State Fire Marshal	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)			

7. CONTACT PERSON James Brownell	TELEPHONE NUMBER (916) 464-4675	FAX NUMBER (Optional)	E-MAIL ADDRESS (Optional) jbrownell@waterboards.ca.gov
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8. I certify that the attached copy of the regulation(s) is a true and correct copy of the regulation(s) identified on this form, that the information specified on this form is true and correct, and that I am the head of the agency taking this action, or a designee of the head of the agency, and am authorized to make this certification.

SIGNATURE OF AGENCY HEAD OR DESIGNEE <i>Pamela C. Creedon</i>	DATE 3-9-2018
TYPED NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNATORY Pamela C. Creedon, Executive Officer	

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## CONCISE SUMMARY OF REGULATORY PROVISIONS

### TITLE 23. Waters

#### Division 4. Regional Water Quality Control Boards

#### Chapter 1. Water Quality Control Plans, Policies and Guidelines

#### Article 5. Central Valley Region

#### §3949.14. Establishment of Salinity Objectives in Reach 83 of the Lower San Joaquin River.

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board Resolution R5-2017-0062, adopted 9 January 2018, amends the Water Quality Control Plan for the Sacramento and San Joaquin River Basins to establish electrical conductivity water quality objectives in the Lower San Joaquin River upstream of the Airport Way Bridge near Vernalis to its confluence with the Merced River.