State of California Office of Administrative Law

In re: State Water Resources Control Board

Regulatory Action:

Title 23, California Code of Regulations

Adopt sections: Amend sections: 3939.15 Repeal sections: NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF REGULATORY ACTION

Government Code Section 11353

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This regulatory action by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Board) amends the Water Quality Control Plan for the Los Angeles Region as adopted by the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board) on June 7, 2012, pursuant to Resolution R12-009 and approved by the State Board on March 19, 2013, pursuant to Resolution 2013-0008. This basin plan amendment revises the total maximum daily load (TMDL) for bacteria in Malibu Creek and Lagoon.

OAL approves this regulatory action pursuant to section 11353 of the Government Code.

Date: 11/8/2013

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individually. Attach additional sheet if needed.)	AMEND 3939.15					
TITLE(S) 23	REPEAL					
3. TYPE OF FILING Regular Rulemaking (Gov. Code \$11346) Resubmittal of disapproved or withdrawn nonemergency filing (Gov. Code \$\$11349.3, 11349.4)					Changes Without Regulatory Effect (Cal. Code Regs., title 1, §100) Print Only 353	
§11346.1(b)) emergency filing (Gov. Code, §11346.1)						
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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					Office of Administrative Law (OAL) only	
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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 4. Los Angeles Region

§ 3939.15 - Total Maximum Daily Load for Bacteria in Malibu Creek .

This Basin Plan amendment establishes a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for bacteria in Malibu Creek and Lagoon for summer (April 1 to October 31) dry weather, winter (November 1 to March 31) dry weather and wet-weather days. Wet-weather days are defined as any day receiving 0.1 inch of rain or more and three days thereafter. The TMDL establishes the loading capacity of the Malibu Creek and Lagoon as the maximum densities of the four bacterial indicators (total coliform, eE. coli, fecal coliform, and enterococcus) as specified in the Basin Plan as bacteriological water quality objectives for fresh and marine water having a water contact beneficial use designation. This TMDL will be implemented in three-two phases over a tenfifteen-year period. Within three years of the effective date of the TMDLBy January 24, 2012, compliance with the allowable number of summer-dry-weather exceedance days and the rolling 30-day geometric mean targets-must be achieved. In response to a written request from the responsible jurisdiction or responsible agency, the Executive Officer of the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Board (Los Angeles Water Board) may extend the compliance date for the summer dry-weather allocations from three up to six years from the effective date of this TMDL. Within six years of the effective date of the TMDL, compliance with the allowable number of winter dry-weather exceedance days and the rolling 30-day geometric mean targets must be achieved. Within ten years of the effective date of the TMDLBy July 15, 2021, compliance with the allowable number of wet-weather exceedance days and rolling 30-day-geometric mean targets must be achieved. The Los Angeles Water Board may extend the wet-weather compliance date up to July 15, 2021 at its discretion, by adopting a subsequent Basin Plan amendment that complies with applicable law.

The regulatory mechanisms to implement the TMDL may include, but are not limited to, the Los Angeles County Municipal <u>Separate</u> Storm <u>Sewer Water System (MS4)</u> National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit, Ventura County <u>Municipal Storm WaterMS4</u> NPDES Permit, the Caltrans Storm Water Permit, <u>any future Phase II MS4 permits</u>, waste discharge requirements (WDRs), Memorandum of Understanding (MOUs), revised MOUs, <u>or other appropriate mechanisms consistent with the Nonpoint Source Implementation and Enforcement Policy</u>, general NPDES permits, general industrial storm water permits, general 13267, and 13383 of the <u>California Water Code</u>, and other appropriate regulatory mechanisms. Each NPDES permit assigned a Waste Load Allocation (WLA) shall be reopened or amended at reissuance, in accordance with applicable laws, to incorporate the applicable WLA as a permit requirement.

The amendment requires that responsible jurisdictions and responsible agencies provide the following submittals to the Executive Officer within the specified time after the effective date of the TMDL: (1) within 120 days, a comprehensive bacteria water quality monitoring plan for the

Malibu Creek Watershed, (2) within one year, a written report outlining how each responsible agency intends to cooperatively achieve compliance with the TMDL, and a written report detailing the rationale and criteria used to identify high risk areas where on site systems have a potential to impact surface waters in the Malibu Creek Watershed, and (3) within two years, a reference watershed study, and a report quantifying the bacteria loading from birds to the Malibu Lagoon.

Within three years after the effective date of the TMDL, the Los Angeles Water Board must reconsider the TMDL to: (1) consider a natural source exclusion for bacteria loading from birds in the Malibu Creek Lagoon if all anthropogenic sources to the Lagoon have been controlled, (2) reassess the allowable winter dry weather and wet weather exceedance days based on additional data on bacterial indicator densities, and an evaluation of site specific variability in exceedance levels to determine whether existing water quality is better than water quality at the reference watershed, (3) reassess the allowable winter dry weather and wet weather exceedance days based on a re-evaluation of the selected reference watershed and consideration of other reference watersheds that may better represent reaches of the Malibu Creek and Lagoon, (4) consider whether the allowable winter dry weather and wet weather exceedance days should be adjusted annually dependent on the rainfall conditions and an evaluation of natural variability in exceedance levels on the reference system(s), (5) re-evaluate the reference year used in the ealculation of allowable exceedance days, and (6) re-evaluate whether there is a need for further elarification or revision of the geometric mean implementation provision.

By July 15, 2018, the TMDL shall be re-considered to incorporate new information from technical or scientific studies, or to address revisions to water quality standards, such as adoption of revised water quality objectives based on recommendations from U.S. EPA.

This Basin Plan amendment was adopted by the Los Angeles Water Board on December 13, 2004 (Resolution No. R14-019R) and approved by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) on September 22, 2005.

The Basin Plan amendment was revised by the Los Angeles Water Board on June 7, 2012 (Resolution No. R12-009), and approved by the State Water Board under Resolution No. 2013-0008 on March 19, 2013.