The North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (hereinafter Regional Water Board) finds that:

1. On August 27, 1997, the Regional Water Board adopted Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) Order No. 97-69 for Redwood Empire Sawmills’ (hereinafter discharger) facility located at Philo, Mendocino County.

2. Order No. 97-69 regulates the winter discharge of storm water runoff from its facilities to a tributary of Indian Creek. Domestic waste is discharged to a septic tank/leachfield system. The facility no longer discharges process water to waters of the state. The facility continues to discharge storm water, which is now covered under a General Permit for storm water discharge associated with industrial activities, State Water Resources Control Board Water Quality Order No. 97-03-DWQ and National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System General Permit No. CAS000001.

3. This action to rescind WDRs is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), at Public Resources Code Section 12000 et seq., pursuant to Title 14, California Code of Regulations, Sections 15060(c)(2) and 15061(b).

4. The Regional Water Board has notified the discharger and interested persons of its intent to rescind Order No. 97-69 and has provided them with an opportunity to submit their written views and recommendations.

5. The Regional Water Board, in a public meeting, heard and considered all comments pertaining to this matter.
THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that WDRs and Monitoring and Reporting Program Order No. 97-69 for Redwood Empire Sawmills’ facility at Philo, Mendocino County is rescinded.

Certification

I, Susan A. Warner, Executive Officer, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, North Coast Region, on June 27, 2002.

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Susan A. Warner
Executive Officer

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