CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD NORTH COAST REGION

RESOLUTION NO. R1-2009-0047

RECOMMENDING CHANGES TO THE LIST OF WATER BODIES AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 303(d) OF THE CLEAN WATER ACT

WHEREAS, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, North Coast Region (Regional Water Board), finds that:

- 1. Section 305(b) of the federal Clean Water Act (CWA) requires the State to prepare a biennial update of an assessment of the waters within the State; and
- 2. Section 303(d) of the federal Clean Water Act requires the State to identify waters within the State for which water quality standards are not attained; and
- The Regional Water Board actively solicited water quality information from the public on December 4, 2006, and received 23 data and information submittals; and
- 4. Regional Water Board staff assembled and considered all readily available data to assess water quality conditions and prepared fact sheets supporting recommendations for additions, deletions and changes to the existing list of impaired water bodies consistent with the Water Quality Control Policy for Developing California's Clean Water Act Section 303(d) List (Listing Policy); and
- The 2008 Integrated Report combines the CWA Section 305(b) Surface Water Quality Assessment and the Section 303(d) List of Impaired Waters into one report; and
- 6. Regional Water Board staff provided advanced notice and opportunity for public comment on the draft recommendations for public review during a 45-day public comment period commencing on February 2, 2009; and
- 7. Regional Water Board staff developed written responses to all 65 written public comments received and revised the supporting staff report and water body fact sheets for the Regional Water Board's consideration; and
- The Listing Policy requires that the Regional Water Board consider and approve each proposed change to the 303(d) List as documented in a water body fact sheet; and
- 9. On June 3, 2009, the Regional Water Board held a public hearing to consider the recommended changes to the 2008 303(d) List for the North Coast Region and consider all testimony and comments, both oral and written, regarding the 2008 Integrated Report and 303(d) List for the North Coast Region.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Regional Water Board approves each proposed 303(d) List addition, deletion or change as documented in the attached Staff Report.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Regional Water Board, in fulfillment of the requirements described in Sections 305(b) and 303(d) of the federal Clean Water Act, hereby authorizes the Executive Officer to transmit the Regional Water Board's assessment, including recommended modifications to the section 303(d) List, as detailed in the attached Staff Report dated May 18, 2009, and associated water body Fact Sheets to the State Water Resources Control Board for approval of the 303(d) List and inclusion in the 2008 California Integrated Report on Water Quality.

Certification:

I, Catherine Kuhlman, Executive Officer, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Regional Water Board, North Coast Region on June 3, 2009.

Catherine Kuhlman Executive Officer

Attachment: Staff Report dated May 18, 2009, Staff Report for the 2008 Integrated Report for the Clean Water Act Section 305(b) Surface Water Quality Assessment and the 303(d) List of Impaired Waters.