

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

RESOLUTION NO. R5-2002-0126

APPROVING
THE
2002 TRIENNIAL REVIEW AND WORK PLAN
FOR
THE SACRAMENTO RIVER AND SAN JOAQUIN RIVER BASINS

WHEREAS, in 1975 the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (hereafter Regional Board) adopted the Water Quality Control Plan for the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River Basins (Basin Plan); and

WHEREAS, the Regional Board adopted the second and third editions of the Basin Plan on 31 March 1989 and 9 December 1994, respectively; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Board adopted amendments to the Third Edition of the Basin Plan on 26 May 1995 and 3 May 1996 and released a Fourth Edition on 1 September 1998; and

WHEREAS, the Basin Plan contains the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River Basins' water quality standards and implementation plans; and

WHEREAS, Section 303(c) of the Clean Water Act (CWA) and Section 13240 of the California Water Code require that water quality standards be reviewed at least every three years and this review is known as the Triennial Review; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with State Water Resources Control Board (State Board) procedures for conducting a Triennial Review, the Regional Board staff circulated a list of water quality issues and held a public workshop on 25 January 2002 to receive public comment regarding the list and other potential issues; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Board staff responded to all comments and developed a final list of issues and a work plan to rank and address them; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Board held a public hearing on 19 July 2002 in Sacramento, California, to receive public comment on the ranking of issues and the proposed work plan for addressing them; and

WHEREAS, the work plan lists potential water quality problems, the relative priority for investigating the problems, identifies which problems can be investigated with existing resources, and identifies additional problems along with the additional resources it will take to investigate and complete them:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Regional Board hereby certifies completion of the 2002 Triennial Review of the Basin Plan, approves the response to comments, and adopts the aforescribed work plan in accordance with the requirements of Section 303(c)(1) of the CWA and Section 13240 of the California Water Code; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Regional Board reaffirms its intent to address the priority problems identified during the Triennial Review process as described in the work plan to the extent resources allow; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the areas of the Basin Plan not identified as needing investigation and possible revision are hereby affirmed as adequate, and that the entire Basin Plan shall remain in effect until such time that appropriate and specific amendments on priority issues are adopted by the Regional Board and approved by the appropriate review authorities.

I, THOMAS R. PINKOS, Acting Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, on 19 July 2002.

Original signed by

THOMAS R. PINKOS, Acting Executive Officer