

**California Regional Water Quality Control Board  
Santa Ana Region**

**Resolution No. R8-2008-0018**

**Resolution of Appreciation for Stakeholder Participation  
In Basin Planning and Regulatory Activities**

**WHEREAS, The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region (hereinafter, Regional Board), finds that:**

1. The Regional Board has participated in a number of cooperative Basin Planning and regulatory Development activities with stakeholders within the Santa Ana Region;
2. These cooperative efforts with stakeholders have come to be identified as "Task Force" activities;
3. Task Force projects within the Region have included Basin Planning activities, such as the Nitrogen/ Total Dissolved Solids (N/TDS) Task Force, a Santa Ana River Use Attainability Task Force, task forces for a number of TMDL (Total Maximum Daily Load) projects in the Santa Ana and San Jacinto Watershed, and the Stormwater Quality Standards Task Force; and efforts that might be considered more regulatory in nature, such as the task force working on monitoring programs for emerging contaminants and the task force for the so-called Cooperative Agreement to Protect Water Quality and Encourage the Conjunctive Uses of Imported Water in the Santa Ana River Basin;
4. Many task force efforts within the Santa Ana Region have been managed and coordinated by staff of the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, with the support and cooperation of the SAWPA member agencies, representing the vast majority of the Region, including (alphabetically) Eastern Municipal Water District, Inland Empire Utilities Agency, Orange County Water District, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District, and Western Municipal Water District;
5. The agencies and organizations represented by the task force members provided support for the participation of their staff members in the task forces and also provided the financial support for the scientific and engineering consultants and management services for the task forces; this support for staff participation and consultant services contributed enormously to the success of the task force projects;
6. Task force efforts within the Region have resulted in the development of consensus-driven and scientifically Superior and defensible Basin Planning and regulatory products; and
7. The task force approach has been enormously successful addressing Basin Planning (including TMDLs) and regulatory matters.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region,**

1. Thanks all task force participants and their agencies and organizations for the efforts of the Individual task force members and for the support of task force activities within the Santa Ana Watershed; and
2. Congratulates all of the participants in task force activities related to projects within the Santa Ana Region for Jobs well-done; and
3. Directs the Executive Officer to send letters of appreciation on behalf of the Regional Board to the Individuals and organizations that have participated in task force activities within the Santa Ana Region.

I, Gerard J. Thibeault, Executive Officer, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region, on January 18, 2008.

  
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**Gerard J. Thibeault**  
Executive Officer