Fact Sheets Supporting "Do Not Delist" Recommendations



September 2005

Region 6

Bodie Creek Water Segment:

Mercury **Pollutant:**

Decision: Do Not Delist

This pollutant is being considered for removal from the section 303(d) list under Weight of Evidence:

section 3.5 of the Listing Policy. One line of evidence is available in the

administrative record to assess this pollutant.

Based on the readily available data and information, the weight of evidence indicates that there is insufficient justification in favor of removing this water segmentpollutant combination from the section 303(d) list in the Water Quality Limited

Segments category.

This conclusion is based on the staff findings that:

1. The data used satisfies the data quality requirements of section 6.1.4 of the Policy.

2. The data used satisfies the data quantity requirements of section 6.1.5 of the Policy.

3. Two of the 2 samples exceeded the OEHHA Screening Value but the number of samples is insufficient to determine with the confidence and power required by the Listing Policy.

4. Pursuant to section 3.11 of the Listing Policy, no additional data and information are available indicating that standards are not met.

SWRCB Staff **Recommendation:** After review of the available data and information, SWRCB staff concludes that the water body-pollutant combination should not be removed from the section 303(d) list because it cannot be determined if applicable water quality standards are attained.

Lines of Evidence:

Pollutant-Sediment Numeric Line of Evidence

Beneficial Use: CM - Commercial and Sport Fishing (CA)

Tissue Matrix:

Water Quality Objective/ Lahontan RWQCB Basin Plan: All waters shall be maintained free of toxic Water Quality Criterion:

substances in concentrations that are toxic to, or produce detrimental physiological responses in human, plant, animal, or aquatic life.

Evaluation Guideline: 0.3 ug/g (OEHHA Screening Value) (Brodberg & Pollock, 1999).

Two out of 2 samples exceeded. Two filet composite samples of Lahontan

Data Used to Assess Water cutthroat trout were collected. Trout were collected in 1992 and 2002. Both Quality:

samples exceeded the guideline (TSMP, 2002).

Spatial Representation: One station located 1/4 mile upstream of road crossing at Flying M hunting club.

Temporal Representation: Samples were collected in 1992 and 2002. Data Quality Assessment:

Toxic Substances Monitoring Program 1992-93 Data Report. Environmental Chemistry Quality Assurance and Data Report for the Toxic Substances Monitoring Program, 2001-2002. Department of Fish and Game.

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Donner Lake **Water Segment:**

Polychlorinated biphenyls **Pollutant:**

Decision: Do Not Delist

Based on the readily available data and information, the weight of evidence indicates Weight of Evidence:

> that there is insufficient justification in favor of removing this water segmentpollutant combination from the section 303(d) list in the Water Quality Limited

Segments category.

This conclusion is based on the staff findings that:

1. The data used satisfies the data quality requirements of section 6.1.4 of the Policy.

2. The data used satisfies the data quantity requirements of section 6.1.5 of the Policy.

3. Two of the 2 samples exceeded the water quality objectives but the number of samples is insufficient to determine with the confidence and power required by the Listing Policy.

4. Pursuant to section 3.11 of the Listing Policy, no additional data and information

are available indicating that standards are not met.

SWRCB Staff Recommendation: After review of the available data and information, SWRCB staff concludes that the water body-pollutant combination should not be removed from the section 303(d) list because it cannot be determined if applicable water quality standards are attained.

Lines of Evidence:

Pollutant-Tissue Numeric Line of Evidence

Beneficial Use: CM - Commercial and Sport Fishing (CA)

Matrix:

Water Quality Objective/ Basin Plan: There shall be no detectable increase in bioaccumulation of

Water Quality Criterion: pesticides in aquatic life.

Evaluation Guideline: 20 ng/g (OEHHA Screening Value) (Brodberg & Pollock, 1999).

Data Used to Assess Water Two out of 2 samples exceeded. Two filet composite samples of lake trout were

Quality:

collected. Lake trout were collected in 1993 and 1996. The guideline was

exceeded in both samples (TSMP, 2002).

Spatial Representation: One station located about 1 mile west of the dam.

Samples were collected 9/16/93 and 9/18/96. Temporal Representation:

Toxic Substances Monitoring Program 1992-93 Data Report. Data Quality Assessment:

> Environmental Chemistry Quality Assurance and Data Report for the Toxic Substances Monitoring Program, 1996-2000. Department of Fish and Game

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Water Segment: Mammoth Creek

Pollutant: Mercury

Decision: Do Not Delist

Weight of Evidence: This pollutant is being considered for removal from the section 303(d) list under

section 3.5 of the Listing Policy. One line of evidence is available in the

administrative record to assess this pollutant.

Based on the readily available data and information, the weight of evidence indicates that there is insufficient justification in favor of removing this water segment-pollutant combination from the section 303(d) list in the Water Quality Limited Segments category.

This conclusion is based on the staff findings that:

1. The data used satisfies the data quality requirements of section 6.1.4 of the Policy.

2. The data used satisfies the data quantity requirements of section 6.1.5 of the Policy.

3. Two of the 3 samples exceeded the OEHHA Screening Value but the number of samples is insufficient to determine with the confidence and power required by the Listing Policy.

4. Pursuant to section 3.11 of the Listing Policy, no additional data and information are available indicating that standards are not met.

SWRCB Staff Recommendation: After review of the available data and information, SWRCB staff concludes that the water body-pollutant combination should not be removed from the section 303(d) list because it cannot be determined if applicable water quality standards are attained.

Lines of Evidence:

Numeric Line of Evidence Pollutant-Tissue

Beneficial Use: CM - Commercial and Sport Fishing (CA)

Matrix: Tissue

Water Quality Objective/ Lahontan RWQCB Basin Plan: All waters shall be maintained free of toxic water Quality Criterion: substances in concentrations that are toxic to, or produce detrimental

physiological responses in human, plant, animal, or aquatic life.

Evaluation Guideline: 0.3 ug/g (OEHHA Screening Value) (Brodberg & Pollock, 1999).

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Data Used to Assess Water

Quality:

Two out of 3 samples exceeded. Three filet composite samples of brown trout were collected in 1992, 1995, and 2002. The 1992 and 2002 samples exceeded

the guideline (TSMP, 2002).

Spatial Representation: Two stations were sampled: 1.3 miles downstream from Old Mammoth Road on

Old State Road and between Hwy 395 and frontage road east of Hwy 395.

Temporal Representation: Samples were collected annually in 1992, 1995, and 2002.

Data Quality Assessment:

Toxic Substances Monitoring Program 1992-93 and 1994-95 Data Reports. Environmental Chemistry Quality Assurance and Data Report for the Toxic Substances Monitoring Program, 2001-2002. Department of Fish and Game.

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