

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 75-88

REQUESTING STATE FORESTER TO AMEND TIMBER
HARVEST PLAN NO. 1-75-99M FOR JOHN BOWER

WHEREAS:

1. The State Forester has approved Timber Harvest Plan No. 1-75-99M for Mr. John Bower to harvest timber within a 130 acre area in Mendocino County.
2. A portion of such area is within the Coastal Zone as defined in Section 27100 of the Public Resources Code.
3. Paragraph 16 of the Plan prohibits roads and skid trails within 200 feet on either side of Triplett Gulch Creek but only where such Creek is within the Coastal Zone.
4. Paragraph 18 of the Plan prohibits tractors from operating closer than 200 feet to Triplett Gulch Creek within the Coastal Zone and closer than 50 feet outside of the Coastal Zone.
5. There is no apparent justification for a lesser degree of protection to be given to Triplett Gulch Creek outside the Coastal Zone.
6. By letter dated April 7, 1975, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, North Coast Region, requested the Division of Forestry to protect the water quality in all areas of Triplett Gulch Creek by inserting the following conditions in the Timber Harvest Plan:
 - a. Fifty percent of all merchantable timber within 150 feet of Triplett Gulch shall remain after logging. All broadleaf species and young growth shall be left undisturbed within 150 feet of Triplett Gulch.
 - b. Any area within 150 feet of Triplett Gulch where soil is exposed by timber operations exceeding 400 square feet shall be seeded at a rate of 30 lbs. of seed/acre.
7. Maximum protection of the Creek is required since it is the sole source of domestic water supply for some downstream residents.
8. The restrictions in the Timber Harvest Plan No. 1-75-99M are inadequate to assure full protection of water quality.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the State Water Resources Control Board hereby requests the State Forester to amend Timber Harvest Plan No. 1-75-99M as follows:

- a. apply the same restrictions outside the Coastal Zone as are applied within the Coastal Zone; and
- b. include the recommendations of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, North Coast Region.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Executive Officer of the State Water Resources Control Board, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on September 18, 1975.

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Executive Officer