

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
BOARD MEETING SESSION – DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS
JUNE 4, 2013**

ITEM 6

SUBJECT

PRESENTATION BY THE CALIFORNIA AMERICAN WATER AND THE MONTEREY PENINSULA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH STATE WATER BOARD ORDER WR 2009-0060

DISCUSSION

On October 20, 2009, the State Water Board adopted [Order WR 2009-0060](#) requiring California American Water (Cal Am) to cease and desist from its unauthorized diversions of water from the Carmel River in accordance with a schedule and conditions. At the time of the Order, Cal Am was diverting 10,978 acre-feet/annum (AFA) of water from the Carmel River and had legal rights to 3,376 AFA. The Order implemented a graduated water diversion reduction schedule to a diversion amount of 9,318 AFA in Water Year 2015-2016 (Oct.-Sept.), and a reduction to its legal limit of 3,376 AFA by December 31, 2016. The Order also implemented a moratorium on providing Carmel River water to new service connections or to increased water use at existing service addresses resulting from a change in zoning or use, and required quarterly compliance reports to be filed with the State Water Board and posted on Cal Am's website. Both Cal Am and the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District will update the State Water Board regarding compliance with Order WR 2009-0060 and other related activities.

POLICY ISSUE

None at this time. Informational Item only.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

REGIONAL BOARD IMPACT

None

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

This is an informational Item with no staff recommendation.

State Water Board action on this item will assist the Water Boards in reaching Goals 3 and 7 of the Strategic Plan Update: 2008-2012 to increase sustainable local water supplies available for meeting existing and future beneficial uses by 1,725,000 acre-feet per year, in excess of 2002 levels, by 2015 and ensure adequate flows for fish and wildlife habitat, and to enhance consistency across the Water Boards, on an ongoing basis, to ensure our processes are effective, efficient, and predictable, and to promote fair and equitable application of laws, regulations, policies, and procedures. In particular, this item will assist in fulfilling Objective 3.3 to ensure that adequate stream flows are available for the protection of fish and wildlife habitat while meeting the need for diversions of water for other uses.