



Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

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CENTRAL VALLEY REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD

DATE: 11 August 2023

SUBJECT: MINOR, NON-SUBSTANTIVE CORRECTIONS TO THE BASIN PLAN

AMENDMENT ADOPTED UNDER CENTRAL VALLEY REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION R5-2022-0035

The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) adopted an amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Tulare Lake Basin (Basin Plan) on 10 June 2022 under Central Valley Water Board Resolution R5-2022-0035 to remove the municipal and domestic supply (MUN) and agricultural supply (AGR) beneficial uses from groundwater within a designated horizontal and vertical portion of the southern region of the Lost Hills Oilfield.

Central Valley Water Board Resolution R5-2022-0035 grants the Executive Officer the authority to make minor, non-substantive corrections to the language of the adopted Basin Plan amendment for consistency and clarity. Based on discussions with State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) staff, Central Valley Water Board staff determined that a minor, non-substantive correction was needed to more precisely describe the location of the project area that MUN and AGR beneficial uses were being removed from to improve clarity. During this review, Central Valley Water Board staff also determined that other minor, non-substantive corrections were additionally needed to correct clerical errors or add clarity.

For the minor, non-substantive corrections described in this Memorandum, the text addition is <u>underlined</u>, and the text deletion is in strikethrough. The language being corrected is located in Attachment 1 of Central Valley Water Board Resolution R5-2022-0035 as well as on Page 1 of the June 2022 Final Staff Report associated with Resolution R5-2022-0035.

I am hereby making the following minor, non-substantive corrections to the Basin Plan Amendment language proposed for Basin Plan Table 2-3 (p. 2-9), adopted under Central Valley Water Board Resolution R5-2022-0035:

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- 1. Remove the term 'Ground water' and add 'Groundwater'.
- 2. Correct the geographical description of the project area of the proposed Basin Plan Amendment language by removing 'the South Lost Hills Oilfield' and adding 'in the Lost Hills Oilfield,'.
- 3. Remove 'T27S' and add 'Township 27 South,'.
- Remove 'R21E' and add 'Range 21 East'.
- 5. Remove 'MDM' and add 'Mount Diablo Meridian'.
- 6. Remove the space between the word 'grazing' and the period following the word 'grazing'.

Those corrections are reflected in the proposed Basin Plan Amendment language as such:

<u>Groundwater</u>Ground water contained within the Lower Tulare Member and the Etchegoin Formation, at a depth of approximately 600 feet to 6,600 feet below ground surface (bgs), within the South Lost Hills Oilfield in Sections 14, 15, 22, 23, 26 and 27 of <u>T27STownship 27 South, R21E Range 21 East</u>, <u>MDM-Mount Diablo Meridian</u>, in the Lost Hills Oilfield, is not suitable, or potentially suitable, for municipal or domestic supply (MUN) or agricultural supply (AGR), including, but not limited to, AGR applications for irrigation, stock watering and support of vegetation for range grazing-.

This Exemption does not extend to the Upper Tulare Member, which overlies the Lower Tulare Member and the Etchegoin Formation and is separated from the Lower Tulare Member by the Mid-Tulare Shale.

If you have any questions about this matter please contact Jennifer Fuller at (916) 464-4646 or Jennifer.Fuller@Waterboards.ca.gov.

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