CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD LAHONTAN REGION

RESOLUTION R6T-2003-0052 FOR

TRIENNIAL REVIEW OF WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE LAHONTAN REGION (BASIN PLAN)

WHEREAS, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region, finds:

- 1. The Water Quality Control Plan for the Lahontan Region (Basin Plan) took effect March 31, 1995 and has been amended since that date, and
- 2. State and federal laws require period review and revision of Basin Plans, and
- 3. The Regional Board is responsible for reviewing water quality standards and implementation plans as appropriate and for modifying and adopting standards contained in the Basin Plan under provisions set forth in Section 303(c) of the federal Clean Water Act and Section 13240, Division 7 of the California Water Code. The federal process is called "Triennial Review", and
- 4. The Regional Board and its staff implemented the Triennial Review by:
 - a. Sending a letter to the Region's Basin Plan mailing list, with a list of potential planning issues for public comment
 - b. Making the issues list and a staff report available to the public on request and posting these materials available on the Board's Internet webpage
 - c. Noticing and conducting a public hearing at its October 8-9, 2003 regular meeting
 - d. Responding to all written public comments received during the designated period, and
- 5. As a result of the Triennial Review process, the Regional Board formulated the priority issues list shown in Attachment A.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region, in fulfillment of the requirements of Section 303(d) of the Federal Clean Water Act and Section 13240, Division 7 of the California Water Code, has done the following:

- a. Concluded the 2003 Triennial Review of the Lahontan Basin Plan
- b. Approved the priority list (Attachment A) for revision of the Lahontan Basin Plan
- c. Concluded that all other planning issues identified by staff and the public during the 2003 Triennial Review process would require additional funding in order to be addressed before the next Triennial Review.
- 2. The Board's Triennial Review actions do not preclude other Basin Plan revisions before the next Triennial Review.
- I, Harold J. Singer, 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, Lahontan Region, on October 8, 2003.

HAROLD J. SINGER EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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Attachment A. Regional Board Priority Planning Issues for 2003-2006

Issue No.	Topic	Estimated Resource Needs (PY)	Estimated Time to Completion (years)
1	Revise waste discharge prohibition affecting piers in Lake Tahoe	0.7	1.0
2	Update of entire Basin Plan including (1) editorial update to reflect new laws, regulations, policies and plans, with minor clarifications/corrections as needed, and (2) minor regulatory changes	0.8	2.0
3	Water quality objective(s) based on narrative biocriteria for Sierra Nevada streams	0.7	1.5
4	Site-specific ammonia objectives for Paiute Ponds and Amargosa Creek, Los Angeles County	0.8	1.5
5	Work with Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) and Tahoe Regional Planning Agency toward increased consistency of standards for shared waters	0.3	NA
6	Update regionwide narrative objective for pesticides in surface waters	0.9	1.5
7	Site-specific beneficial uses for Paiute Ponds and Amargosa Creek (Los Angeles County)	0.7	1.5
8	Revise "percent sodium" standards for surface waters of Carson and Walker River watersheds	0.3	1.5
9	New or revised water quality objectives for nutrients and related parameters for surface waters regionwide	0.45	4.0

Attachment A (continued)

Issue No.	Topic	Estimated Resource Needs (PY)	Estimated Time to Completion (years)
10	Revise Wildlife Habitat beneficial use and/or develop site specific objectives for Searles Lake (San Bernardino County)	0.7	1.5
11	Revised beneficial uses for Owens Lake (Inyo County)	0.7	1.5
12	Miscellaneous planning/standards-related work as needed	0.65	NA
	TOTAL	7.7 PY	