

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD  
RESOLUTION NO. 2003 - 0023

APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE  
LOS ANGELES REGION INCORPORATING A TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD FOR  
NITROGEN COMPOUNDS AND RELATED EFFECTS IN CALLEGUAS CREEK, ITS  
TRIBUTARIES, AND MUGU LAGOON

WHEREAS:

1. The Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board) adopted a Water Quality Control Plan for the Los Angeles Region (Basin Plan) on June 13, 1994 which was approved by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Board) on November 17, 1994 and by the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) on February 23, 1995.
2. On October 24, 2002, the Regional Board adopted Resolution No. 02-017 (attached) amending the Basin Plan by establishing a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for nitrogen compounds and related effects in Calleguas Creek, its tributaries, and Mugu Lagoon (Nitrogen TMDL).
3. The State Board finds that provisions of the amendment as adopted warranted minor non-substantive clarification of the language of various provisions.
4. Regional Board Resolution No. 02-017 delegated to the Regional Board Executive Officer authority to make minor, non-substantive corrections to the adopted amendment if needed for clarity or consistency. The Regional Board Executive Officer has made the necessary corrections to the amendment by memorandum dated January 29, 2003.
5. The State Board finds that the Nitrogen TMDL is in conformance with the requirements for TMDL development specified in section 303(d) of the federal Clean Water Act and State Board Resolution No. 68-16.
6. The Regional Board staff prepared documents and followed procedures satisfying environmental documentation requirements in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act and other State laws and regulations.
7. This Basin Plan amendment does not become effective until approved by the State Board and until the regulatory provisions are approved by OAL. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) must also approve the Nitrogen TMDL.
8. This Basin Plan amendment furthermore relies on the ammonia objectives set forth by the Regional Board in Resolution No. 2002-011 adopted on April 25, 2002 and will only become effective if the State Board, OAL, and USEPA approve these objectives.


THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Board:

1. Approves the amendment to the Basin Plan as adopted under Regional Board Resolution No. 02-017 and as corrected by the Regional Board Executive Officer.
2. Authorizes the Executive Director or designee to submit the amendment adopted under Regional Board Resolution No. 02-017, as approved, and the administrative record for this action to OAL and the TMDL to USEPA for approval.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Clerk to the 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 March 19, 2003.

  
Maureen Marché  
Clerk to the Board