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DATE: August 28, 2002

SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Decision in Compliance with Section 21080.5 of the Public Resources Code and Submittal of Certificate of Fee Exemption (Fish & Game Code Section 711.4(c)(2)(B)).

Project Proponent: California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region
340 W. 4th Street, Los Angeles CA 90013.

Project Title: Amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Los Angeles Region to incorporate a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for Trash in Ballona Creek and Wetland.

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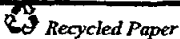
Project Description: Regional Board Resolution 01-014, adopted on September 19, 2001, by the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board amended the Basin Plan for the Coastal Watersheds of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties by establishing a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for trash in Ballona Creek and Wetland.

The trash TMDL holds the Los Angeles County Department of Public works and all cities within the Ballona Creek Watershed responsible for any trash discharged from their storm drains. It requires these discharges to be regulated under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System storm water permits. With a numeric target of zero, the 14-year implementation plan allows a gradual phased reduction of approximately 10%, of the current trash discharges, per year. In addition, the zero allocation will be re-evaluated once a trash reduction of 50% has been achieved.

As approved by the State Water Resources Control Board on February 19, 2002 under Board Resolution No. 2002-0039, the amendment revised

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the Basin Plan by incorporating a total maximum daily load for trash in Ballona Creek and wetland. The Office of Administrative Law approved the regulatory provisions of this amendment on July 18, 2002. Final approval of the TMDL from the United States Environmental Protection Agency was given on August 1, 2002.

This is to advise that the California Regional Water Quality Control Board – Los Angeles Region, and the State Water Resources Control Board have made the following determination regarding the above project:

THE PROJECT HAS BEEN: APPROVED
 DISAPPROVED

ENCLOSED IS THE CERTIFICATE OF FEE EXEMPTION AND ACCOMPANYING CEQA CHECKLIST. THE FILING FEE IS NOT REQUIRED DUE TO THE FINDING OF DE MINIMUS IMPACT.

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Attachments: Certificate of Fee Exemption
CEQA Checklist

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