

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA
CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
LOS ANGELES REGION**

RESOLUTION NO. R04-007

**APPROVING THE INITIAL STUDY AND ADOPTING
A PROGRAMMATIC MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR
WAIVERS OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR
RESIDENTIAL AND CERTAIN DE MINIMUS
ONSITE WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEMS**

WHEREAS, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Board) finds that:

1. The Regional Board has assumed lead-agency role under the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code section 21000 et seq.) and has conducted an Initial Study in accordance with section 15063 of the "State CEQA Guidelines" at California Code of Regulations (CCR), title 14, section 15000 et seq. for the adoption of waivers of waste discharge requirements (WDRs) for residential and certain de minimus onsite wastewater treatment systems.
2. Based upon the Initial Study, Regional Board staff has found any potential environmental impacts posed by adopting waivers of WDRs for residential and certain de minimus onsite wastewater treatment systems would be mitigated by a local agency entering into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Regional Board. Regional Board staff has therefore prepared a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the project.
3. Regional Board staff has drafted a proposed template MOU upon which individual MOUs with local agencies shall be based. The MOU would commit a local agencies to amending its municipal plumbing code to be substantially equivalent to any statewide standards adopted pursuant to CWC sections 13290 and 13291 and to take interim measures to increase the effectiveness of its permitting program to address water quality concerns.
4. The Regional Board is adopting the Mitigated Negative Declaration concurrently with its adoption of waivers of WDRs for residential and certain de minimus onsite wastewater treatment systems.
5. The Regional Board has notified interested agencies and persons of its intent to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for waivers of WDRs for residential and certain de minimus onsite wastewater treatment systems, and has provided them with an opportunity to submit comments.
6. The Regional Board, in a public hearing, considered all comments pertaining to the discharges to be regulated by the waivers of WDRs and to the proposed programmatic Mitigated Negative Declaration.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Regional Board:

1. Approves the Initial Study and adopts the Mitigated Negative Declaration for waivers of WDRs for Residential and Certain De Minimus Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems.
2. Directs that a copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the State Water Resources Control Board.
3. Directs that a copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to all interested parties.

CERTIFICATION

I, Dennis A. Dickerson, 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, Los Angeles Region on June 10, 2004.

Original signed by Jonathan Bishop, Acting Executive Officer on June 25, 2004

DENNIS A. DICKERSON
Executive Officer

Date