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SUBJECT: Regional Board Enforcement Program

REPORT: Status Report of Enforcement Efforts for Calendar Years 2006 and 2007

Staff will present an update of the recent Enforcement Program activities and accomplishments undertaken by the Regional Board since the last updates that were presented in March 2005, May and August 2006. It will also present the program outlook for Regional Board discussion.

Governor Schwarzenegger's *Action Plan for California's Environment* and the Cal/EPA *Strategic Vision* established a management priority to improve enforcement. The *2005 Water Board Enforcement Plan* specifies actions the Water Boards are taking to participate in this effort to improve enforcement. The Regional Board has responded. It has been working to enhance enforcement efforts by carrying out actions specified in the *Water Board Enforcement Plan*, as well as evaluating and refining internal processes and procedures to more efficiently manage the enforcement caseload, and ensure consistent, timely, fair, effective enforcement responses. Recently, there have been an increased focus on enforcement activities and the current State Water Board *Enforcement Policy* is scheduled for revision and update with a goal of adoption this summer.

ISSUES The staff presentation will address the following topics

- Enforcement policies and procedures
- Regional Board Enforcement Program
 - activities programmatic efforts
 - caseload summary and highlights
- Program outlook

RECOMMENDATION: No action required, information item only

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