STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 95-53

APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE CENTRAL COAST BASIN REGARDING ON-SITE SEPTIC SYSTEMS

WHEREAS:

- 1. The Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coast Region (CCRWQCB), adopted a revised Water Quality Control Plan for the Central Coast Basin (Basin Plan) on February 11, 1994, under Resolution No. 94-01, and the Basin Plan was approved by the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) in May 1994 and by the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) in September 1994.
- 2. On April 14, 1995, the CCRWQCB adopted Resolution No. 95-04 (Attachment) revising the Basin Plan by rescinding an on-site septic system prohibition and replacing it with regulation of on-site systems through implementation of a Wastewater Management Plan for the San Lorenzo River Watershed, Santa Cruz County.
- 3. In adopting the amendment, two statements (stated in Resolved No. 1 of this Resolution) were incorporated which introduced clarity problems and, therefore, cannot be approved.
- 4. Section 303(c) of the Federal Clean Water Act requires that water quality standards be reviewed and revised, if appropriate, at least every three years, and Section 13240 of the California Water Code provides that Basin Plans be periodically reviewed and, if appropriate, revised.
- 5. The CCRWQCB prepared documents and followed procedures satisfying environmental documentation requirements in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code, Section 21000 et seq.).
- 6. The CCRWQCB Resolution No. 95-04 was adopted in accordance with State laws and regulations.
- 7. Basin Plan amendments do not become effective until approved by the SWRCB and until regulatory provisions are approved by OAL.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The SWRCB:

- 1. Approves the Basin Plan amendment adopted by CCRWQCB Resolution No. 95-04 on April 14, 1995, with the exception of the portions shown below in "strikeout" format which are disapproved:
 - a. Attachment A, item 1, middle of paragraph
 "Alternatives have been evaluated and solutions proposed
 to reduce septic system problems and to respond to this
 Plan's discharge prohibition in certain areas of the
 valley."
 - b. Attachment A, item 1, final sentence
 "Implementation of the Wastewater Management Plan
 precludes the Regional Board from reestablishing the
 discharge prohibition."
- 2. Authorizes staff to submit the approved revision of the Basin Plan to OAL for approval.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Administrative Assistant 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 August 17, 1995.

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Administrative Assistant to the Board