

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 81-63

DESIGNATING THE TAHOE REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY
AS THE AREAWIDE PLANNING AGENCY FOR THE LAKE
TAHOE BASIN UNDER SECTION 208 OF THE CLEAN WATER ACT

WHEREAS:

1. Section 208 of the federal Clean Water Act calls for designation of areawide planning agencies (208 planning agencies).
2. In 1974, the State Board designated the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA) as the 208 planning agency for the Lake Tahoe Basin. Nevada also designated TRPA.
3. In January, 1978, TRPA adopted a water quality management plan (208 Plan) for the Lake Tahoe Basin.
4. In July, 1978, the State Board denied certification of the TRPA 208 Plan, and revoked the designation of TRPA as the 208 planning agency for the Lake Tahoe Basin. The State Board then assumed responsibility for 208 planning for the Lake Tahoe Basin.
5. In November, 1978, the State Board reaffirmed its decision to deny certification of the TRPA 208 Plan and revoke the designation of TRPA as the 208 planning agency for the Lake Tahoe Basin.
6. The State Board prepared the Lake Tahoe Basin Water Quality Plan, which meets the requirements of Section 208 of the Clean Water Act. The State Board decided not to certify the Lake Tahoe Basin Water Quality Plan as the 208 Plan for the Lake Tahoe Basin until after TRPA had another opportunity to submit an adequate plan.
7. When it adopted the Lake Tahoe Basin Water Quality Plan in October, 1980, the State Board also adopted Resolution 80-81, setting the conditions necessary for certification of a 208 Plan submitted by TRPA.
8. In December, 1980, amendments to the Tahoe Regional Planning Compact took effect. These amendments improve TRPA's ability to enforce controls for the protection of water quality. The amendments also require TRPA to adopt a revised regional plan, which meets state and federal water quality standards, by June 19, 1983.
9. In response to State Board Resolution 80-81, TRPA prepared and submitted a revised 208 Plan. TRPA voted to adopt the 208 Plan at its May, 1981 governing board meeting, and the 208 Plan will take effect upon approval after second reading at the June governing board meeting. The provisions of the TRPA 208 plan applicable only to the California side of the region meet all of the requirements of Resolution 80-81. The provisions of the TRPA 208 Plan applicable to both sides of the region do not meet all of the requirements of Resolution 80-81, but represent substantial progress toward achievement of water quality goals.

10. Designation of TRPA as the 208 planning agency for the Lake Tahoe Basin provides the best opportunity for basinwide enforcement of the controls needed to protect Lake Tahoe water quality.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the State Board, acting for the Governor of the State of California, designate TRPA as the 208 planning agency for the Lake Tahoe Basin.
2. That this designation shall take effect and shall be submitted to the Environmental Protection Agency as soon as the TRPA 208 Plan is approved upon second reading before the TRPA governing board.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Executive Director of the State Water Resources Control 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 June 18, 1981.



Clint Whitney
Executive Director