

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

RESOLUTION NO. 82-33

Concurring with certain elements of a U.S. Bureau of Reclamation Study Plan for completing a Report of Waste Discharge for the proposed San Luis Drain Agricultural Discharge to the San Francisco Bay-Delta Estuary.

WHEREAS:

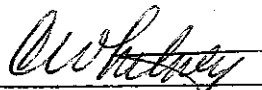
1. The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Bureau) has consulted with the State Board on the possibility of obtaining waste discharge requirements for its proposed San Luis Drain discharge to the San Francisco Bay-Delta Estuary (Bay-Delta).
2. The State Board intends to consider adopting appropriate waste discharge requirements for the proposed discharge.
3. Prior to the State Board's consideration of adopting waste discharge requirements, the Bureau must file a satisfactory and complete Report of Waste Discharge for the proposed discharge.
4. The State Board will not accept a Report of Waste Discharge as satisfactory and complete unless it contains results from comprehensive chronic toxicity studies.
5. On May 21, 1981, the State Board adopted Resolution 81-56 issuing specific guidelines to the Bureau for developing study plans to complete a satisfactory Report of Waste Discharge.
6. The State Board's adopted guidelines provide that prior State Board concurrence be obtained by the Bureau for study plans for six key issues, including comprehensive toxicity studies.
7. On May 14, 1982, the Bureau submitted a proposed study plan and requested State Board concurrence on study plan elements for four of the six key issues, including a pilot program for toxicity effects, a pilot program for background toxicity levels, nitrogen biostimulation studies, and outfall design and discharge regulation studies.
8. The State Board reviewed the Bureau's submittal and request at a Workshop on June 3, 1982.
9. The remaining two key study plans (Effluent Water Quality and Receiving Water and Supply Water Quality) and comprehensive toxicity study plans are expected to be submitted by the Bureau to the State Board for concurrence in the fall of 1982.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the State Board concurs with the Bureau's plans for a pilot program for toxicity effects, a pilot program for background toxicity levels, nitrogen biostimulation studies, and outfall design and discharge studies as proposed by the Bureau on May 14, 1982.
2. That the State Board directs staff to transmit comments to the Bureau on the remaining issues discussed in the Bureau's May 14, 1982 report.

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 17, 1982.

  
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Clint Whitney, Executive Director