

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD  
RESOLUTION NO. 82-49

CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE WATER  
QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY  
REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD

WHEREAS:

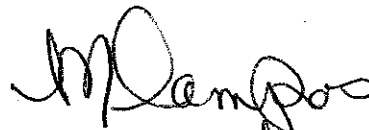
1. The Water Quality Control Plan (Basin Plan) for the San Francisco Bay Region was approved by the State Board on April 17, 1975.
2. Division 7 of the California Water Code states that Basin Plans shall be periodically reviewed and may be revised.
3. The Regional Board prepared amendments to the Basin Plan which were considered at public hearings on March 1, April 28, and July 21, 1982.
4. The amendments revise beneficial uses and water quality objectives, update Regional Board policies and implementation plans, and revise the State and Regional Board surveillance and monitoring program for the region.
5. The Basin Plan amendments satisfy the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act.
6. A section of Chapter 4 of the Basin Plan identified as "Recommendations for Actions by the State Board" recommends State Board support of Bay studies, water allocation policies, water reclamation and conservation policy, actions for development of toxic material water quality objectives, and development of pollution control cost/benefit guidelines.
7. A section of Chapter 5 of the Basin Plan, entitled "Plans and Policies", does not reference the State Board policy document entitled Policy and Action Plan for Water Reclamation in California, adopted January 6, 1977.
8. The Basin Plan contains guidelines for the regulation of erosion and sedimentation which recognize the responsibility of local governments for erosion and sedimentation control. The Regional Board has urged local governments to adopt adequate erosion and sedimentation control ordinances. If such ordinances are not adopted, the Regional Board can enforce erosion control guidelines to achieve water quality objectives through the issuance of individual waste discharge requirements within the boundaries of local jurisdictions which do not have effective erosion and sedimentation control programs.
9. The Basin Plan contains effluent limitations to help achieve water quality objectives. The Regional Board will consider changes to the effluent limitations, including waivers to the secondary treatment requirement for marine discharges, to the extent that such changes are consistent with Federal and State law.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the State Board approves the July 21, 1982 amendments to the Water Quality Control Plan for the San Francisco Bay Basin with the following understandings:
  - a. The language of the guidelines for erosion and sediment control shall not be construed as a mandatory requirement that local governments adopt erosion control ordinances. However, the Regional Board may take all steps within its authority to control erosion and sedimentation within the Region, including the issuance of individual waste discharge requirements for construction projects and other developments.
  - b. Footnote (a) to Table 4-3 of the Basin Plan Amendments (preceding page 4-9) should refer to page 4-1 for the discussion of effluent limit modifications, rather than to page 4-3.
2. That the State Board notes with approval the recommendation that local governments within the San Francisco Bay Region adopt and implement enforceable erosion and sedimentation control programs based upon the model ordinances presented in the Manual of Standards for Erosion and Sediment Control Measures developed under an Areawide Waste Treatment Management grant from the Environmental Protection Agency.
3. That the State Board notes the recommendations for State Board action contained in the Basin Plan and reserves to itself the decision to act on the recommendations.
4. That the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board is requested to amend the Basin Plan to include the State Board's Policy and Action Plan for Reclamation in California at the earliest opportunity.

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 October 21, 1982.



Clint Whitney  
Executive Director