

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD  
RESOLUTION NO. 85-11

CONSIDERATION OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN  
FOR THE CENTRAL COASTAL BASIN TO INCORPORATE NUTRIENT OBJECTIVES  
FOR THE PAJARO RIVER AND LLAGAS CREEK

WHEREAS:

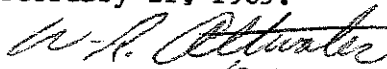
1. The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coast Region, (Central Coast Regional Board) adopted the Water Quality Control Plan for the Central Coastal Basin (basin plan) on March 14, 1975.
2. Division 7 of the California Water code specifies that basin plans be periodically reviewed and, if appropriate, revised.
3. In 1977, the Central Coast Regional Board deleted Table 4-3, "Water Quality Objectives for Biostimulants", from the basin plan.
4. The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, (EPA) approved the deletion of Table 4-3 provided the Central Coast Regional Board established specific nutrient objectives for several surface waters within the Central Coast region.
5. Central Coast Regional Board staff prepared a report which recommends nutrient objectives for the Pajaro River and Llagas Creek.
6. Central Coast Regional Board staff prepared documents and followed procedures satisfying environmental documentation requirements of both the California Environmental Quality Act under Public Resources Code Section 21080.5 (Functional Equivalent) and the Federal Clean Water Act.
7. On January 20, 1984, after a public hearing, the Central Coast Regional Board adopted Resolution No. 84-02, "Concerning Revisions and Amendment of the Water Quality Control Plan, Central Coastal Basin--Nutrient Objectives for the Pajaro River and Llagas Creek".
8. Basin plan amendments do not become effective until approved by the State Board.
9. The State Board, after review of the basin plan amendments and the Central Coast Regional Board's record, finds that the proposed nitrogen and phosphorus objectives for the Pajaro River and Llagas Creek are based on an insufficient data base.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the water quality objectives for nitrogen and phosphorus in the basin plan amendment as adopted in Central Coast Regional Board Resolution No. 84-02 be remanded to the Central Coast Regional Board for further data collection and consideration.

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 February 21, 1985.



Michael A. Campos  
Executive Director