

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 92-34

APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE
WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE SACRAMENTO RIVER
SACRAMENTO-SAN JOAQUIN DELTA, AND SAN JOAQUIN RIVER BASINS
GRANTING AN EXCEPTION TO A PROHIBITION OF DISCHARGE
TO THE CITY OF WEST SACRAMENTO

WHEREAS:

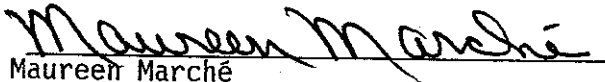
1. The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (Central Valley Regional Water Board), edited and updated, and the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) approved the Water Quality Control Plan for the Sacramento River, Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta and San Joaquin River Basins (Basin Plan) in 1990.
2. Division 7 of the California Water Code states that Basin Plans shall be periodically reviewed and, if appropriate, revised.
3. The Central Valley Regional Water Board adopted an amendment under Resolution No. 91-207 (Attachment) following a public hearing on November 22, 1991.
4. The amendment grants the City of West Sacramento an exception to the prohibition of discharge of municipal wastewater into the Sacramento River from its confluence with the Feather River to the Freeport Bridge.
5. The amendment would allow the City of West Sacramento to discharge secondary treated municipal wastewater to the Sacramento River upstream of the Deep Water Ship Channel under specific conditions, subject to a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit.
6. The public notice issued by the Central Valley Regional Water Board for the public hearing did not provide a 45-day comment period prior to the hearing as required by state and federal regulations.
7. The State Water Board noticed and held a public hearing on May 6, 1992, to ensure adequate opportunity for public comment on the proposed amendment.
8. The State Water Board has reviewed and considered carefully the Central Valley Regional Water Board's hearing record and all comments and testimony received at the May 6, 1992 public hearing and has determined that no new substantive information was received at the State Water Board hearing.
9. The Basin Plan amendment is consistent with the requirements of Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq. (California Environmental Quality Act) and was adopted and approved in accordance with applicable State statutes and regulations.
10. Basin Plan amendments do not become effective until approved by the State Water Board.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the State Water Board approves the Basin Plan amendment adopted by the Central Valley Regional Water Board under Resolution No. 91-207 granting the City of West Sacramento an exemption to the discharge prohibition for the Sacramento River.

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 May 18, 1992.


Maureen Marché
Administrative Assistant to the Board

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

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WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN AMENDMENT FOR
CITY OF WEST SACRAMENTO
WET WEATHER MUNICIPAL WASTE DISCHARGE
YOLO COUNTY

WHEREAS, The Water Quality Control Plan prohibits the direct discharge of municipal wastes into the Sacramento River from the confluence with the Feather River to the Freeport Bridge; and

WHEREAS, The City of West Sacramento has requested an exception to the Sacramento River discharge prohibition for a wet weather discharge of treated and disinfected domestic waste; and

WHEREAS, The City of West Sacramento has completed a water quality assessment for the proposed wet weather discharge showing the discharge will not significantly impact the water quality of the Sacramento River; and

WHEREAS, The discharge will be regulated and monitored under a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit; and

WHEREAS, The City of West Sacramento prepared a mitigated negative declaration for expansion of their wastewater treatment plant, including the wet weather discharge to the Sacramento River; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 21080.5 of the California Public Resources Code, the amendment of a Water Quality Control Plan may be prepared in lieu of the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report; and

WHEREAS, in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act and Section 3777, Title 23, California Code of Regulations, a completed Environmental Checklist, a description of the proposed activity and a Determination of no significant environmental effects were included in and circulated with the draft Water Quality Control Plan Amendment Report as a Functional Equivalent Document; and

WHEREAS, A public hearing was held on 22 November 1991 to receive testimony related to the proposed amendment; and

WHEREAS, An amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan must be approved by the State Board before becoming effective; Therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board approves the Initial Study and adopts a Negative Declaration as contained in the Functional Equivalent Document for the Water Quality Control Plan Amendment; and be it further


RESOLVED, That the Board adopts the amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan as shown in Attachment 1 of this Resolution; and be it further

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RESOLVED, That the State Board is requested to approve the amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan in accordance with Sections 13245 and 13246 of the California Water Code.

I, WILLIAM H. CROOKS, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, on 22 November 1991.


WILLIAM H. CROOKS, Executive Officer

ATTACHMENT 1

Water Quality Control Plan (Basin Plan) for the Sacramento River,
Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta and San Joaquin River Basins

Proposed change to page IV-11, Prohibitions, Water Bodies

- FROM: Sacramento River (from confluence with the Feather River to the Freeport Bridge). [Note: There is an exception. Discharges of combined municipal and stormwater runoff flow from the City of Sacramento are not subject to the prohibition, but are to be controlled through waste discharge requirements.]
- TO: Sacramento River (from confluence with the Feather River to the Freeport Bridge). [Note: There are two exceptions, (1) discharges of combined municipal waste and storm runoff flow from the City of Sacramento, and (2) discharges of treated/disinfected municipal waste from the City of West Sacramento when the City's Clarksburg outfall line is at its maximum hydraulic capacity and when Sacramento River flow is greater than 80,000 cfs, are not subject to the prohibition. The discharges are to be controlled through waste discharge requirements.]