

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 2014-0032**

APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE
WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE LAHONTAN REGION CLARIFYING THE
ANTIDegradation POLICY, ADDING MIXING ZONE PROVISIONS, REVISING CERTAIN
WASTE DISCHARGE PROHIBITIONS, AND AMENDING CHAPTER 5- WATER QUALITY
CONTROL MEASURES FOR THE LAKE TAHOE BASIN

WHEREAS:

1. On April 9, 2014, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region (Lahontan Water Board) adopted [Resolution No. R6T-2014-0027](#), amendments to the *Water Quality Control Board for the Lahontan Region (Basin Plan)*.
2. The Lahontan Water Board found that the analysis containing in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) "Substitute Environmental Documentation" for the proposed Basin Plan amendments, including the CEQA checklist, the final staff report entitled "Staff Report/Substitute Environmental Document for Proposed Amendments to the *Water Quality Control Plan for the Lahontan Region (Basin Plan) Clarifying the Antidegradation Policy, Adding Mixing Zone Provisions, Revising Certain Waste Discharge Prohibitions, and Amending Chapter 5 – Water Quality Standards and Control Measures for the Lake Tahoe Basin*" and the responses to comments comply with the State Water Board's regulations for the implementation of CEQA, as set forth in the California Code of Regulation, Title 23, sections 3775 through 3781. The State Water Board has reviewed the Substitute Environmental Documentation for the Basin Plan amendments and concurs with Lahontan Water Board's findings
3. The Lahontan Water Board also adopted the Basin Plan amendments pursuant to the "Necessity" standard of the Administrative Procedures Act, Government code section 11353, subdivision (b).
4. The Lahontan Water Board found the Basin Plan amendments are consistent with the Statement of Policy with Respect to Maintaining High Quality of Waters in California ([State Water Board Resolution No. 68-16](#)) and the federal Antidegradation Policy (40 C.F.R. § 131.12).
5. The State Board finds that the Basin Plan amendments are in conformance with Water Code section 13240, which specifies that regional water quality control board may revise basin plans, and section 13242, which requires a program of implementation for achieving water quality objectives.
6. A Basin Plan amendment does not become effective until approved by the State Water Board and until the regulatory provisions are approved by the Office of Administrative Law (OAL). The Basin Plan amendments must also receive approval from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA).

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board:

1. Approves the [Basin Plan amendments](#) adopted under Lahontan Water Board Resolution No. R6T-2014-0027.
2. Authorizes and directs the Executive Director or designee to submit the Basin Plan amendments adopted under Lahontan Water Board Resolution No. R6T-2014-0027 to OAL for approval of the regulatory provisions and the U.S. EPA for approval of the Basin Plan amendments.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Clerk 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 on July 2, 2014.

AYE: Chair Felicia Marcus
Vice Chair Frances Spivy-Weber
Board Member Tam M. Doduc
Board Member Steven Moore
Board Member Dorene D'Adamo

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None



Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board