

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

In the Matter of the Petition )  
of Vistec, Inc./Housing Resource )  
for Review of Order No. 72-136 )  
of the California Regional Water )  
Quality Control Board, )  
Central Valley Region )  

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Order No. 72-2

On December 31, 1971, Vistec, Inc./Housing Resource petitioned the State Water Resources Control Board to review Order No. 72-136 of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, adopted on December 17, 1971. Order No. 72-136 prohibits waste discharge from The Grove, a proposed development of Vistec, Inc., located near Chico. The petition requests that the prohibition be rescinded and that waste discharge requirements be issued.

The State Board having considered the petition and the records of the regional board which concern petitioner's contentions finds:

1. On December 17, 1971, the regional board adopted Order No. 72-136 prohibiting discharge from The Grove, a development of Vistec, Inc.

2. The basis for such prohibition was a finding that the proliferation of small treatment plants in the area would result in an ultimate threat to water quality.

3. The record does not contain evidence which supports finding No. 9 of Order 72-136 of the regional board. The prohibition of waste discharge without evidence of unreasonable effects upon water quality is improper and not an acceptable method of implementation of water quality control plans as required by Water Code Section 13263(a).

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, reconsider Order No. 72-136 and after hearing adopt an appropriate order based upon evidence concerning the following: (1) the beneficial uses to be protected, (2) the quality of the waste discharge necessary to protect these beneficial uses, and (3) the necessity of preventing a nuisance.

Adopted as the order of the State Water Resources Control Board at a meeting duly called and held at Sacramento, California.

Dated: February 17, 1972

**ABSENT**

E. F. Dibble, Acting Chairman

Norman B. Hume  
Norman B. Hume, Member

Ronald B. Robie  
Ronald B. Robie, Member

W. W. Adams  
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