

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 83-12

RAMONA MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT AND CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER
QUALITY CONTROL BOARD, SAN DIEGO REGION'S COMPLIANCE WITH
STATE BOARD ORDER NO. W.Q. 81-16

WHEREAS:

1. On February 26, 1979, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region, (Regional Board) adopted Order No. 79-17 renewing waste discharge requirements for Ramona Municipal Water District (RMWD).
2. On January 19, 1981, RMWD submitted a report of waste discharge which included arguments for applying the concepts of State Board Order No. W.Q. 80-7 to the waste discharge requirements for its treatment facilities at the San Diego Country Estates.
3. On April 27, 1981, the Regional Board adopted Addendum No. 1 to Order No. 79-17 in response to said report of waste discharge.
4. On May 15, 1981, RMWD filed a petition with the State Board seeking review of Addendum No. 1 to Order No. 79-17.
5. On December 17, 1981, the State Board adopted State Board Order No. W.Q. 81-16, "In the Matter of the Petition of the Ramona Municipal Water District for Review of Addendum No. 1 to Order No. 79-17 of the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board".
6. State Board Order No. W.Q. 81-16 requires the following:
 - a. The Regional Board to amend Addendum No. 1 to require compliance with numerical concentration limitations computed on a basis of a 12-month running average.
 - b. RMWD to prepare a report discussing alternative reclamation projects for submission to the Regional Board within six months of the date of the adoption of the order.
 - c. The Regional Board to comment on the report to the State Board concerning possible reclamation projects in RMWD's service area.
7. Compliance of State Board Order No. W.Q. 81-16 has been fulfilled by the following actions:
 - a. On March 8, 1982, the Regional Board adopted Addendum No. 2 to Order No. 79-17 incorporating the requirements of said State Board order.

- b. On May 25, 1982, RMWD submitted a report entitled "Wastewater Planning Status Report to the State Water Resources Control Board--San Diego Country Estates Reclamation Facilities--May 1982" to the Regional Board.
- c. By memo dated June 14, 1982, the Regional Board commented on the reclamation projects discussed in the report.
8. RMWD has subsequently actively pursued Alternative B of the report which is a proposal to irrigate a 160-acre avocado grove called Butterfield Ranch.
9. Although there have been contract negotiation delays between RMWD and the owners of Butterfield Ranch in securing reclaimed water delivery, all evidence indicates that ultimate delivery is imminent.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That RMWD and the Regional Board have complied with the requirements of State Board Order No. W.Q. 81-16 as demonstrated in Finding No. 7 of this resolution.
2. That as long as RMWD is aggressively pursuing reclamation for its treatment facilities at San Diego Country Estates, RMWD should retain favored project status as a reclamation project under the concepts of State Board Order No. W.Q. 80-7.
3. That the Regional Board should take appropriate steps to modify the RMWD waste discharge requirements if it becomes apparent that a valid reclamation project is not implemented.

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 17, 1983.


Clint Whitney
Executive Director