

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD  
RESOLUTION NO. 84-61

APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT OF THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN  
FOR THE SANTA ANA RIVER BASIN  
BY THE REVISION OF EXEMPTION CRITERIA FOR DISCHARGE PROHIBITIONS  
SUBSURFACE LEACHING-PERCOLATION SYSTEMS FOR YUCAIPA-CALIMESA AREA

WHEREAS:

1. On March 9, 1973, following a public hearing, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region, (Santa Ana Regional Board) adopted a waste discharge prohibition for the Yucaipa-Calimesa area as an amendment to the Interim Water Quality Control Plan for the Santa Ana River Basin.
2. On June 7, 1973, the Santa Ana Regional Board adopted an exemption criteria for administering the subsurface leaching-percolation discharge prohibition. This criteria provides the exemption details and procedures for administering the discharge prohibition.
3. On May 13, 1983, the Santa Ana Regional Board adopted an amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Santa Ana River Basin (basin plan) which incorporated the Yucaipa-Calimesa prohibition and established a compliance date of January 1, 1984.
4. In December 1983, the Santa Ana Regional Board amended the basin plan to extend the Yucaipa-Calimesa prohibition compliance date to February 1, 1986.
5. On January 20, 1984, the Yucaipa Valley County Water District submitted a letter to the State Board containing a revised construction schedule for the regional sewage treatment plant. This schedule projects construction completion, including remaining sewer collection districts, on August 15, 1986.
6. Based upon this construction completion schedule, the Santa Ana Regional Board proposes to revise the exemption criteria within the four completed sewer collection districts.
7. The Santa Ana Regional Board prepared an Environmental Checklist assessing the potential impacts of this proposed change, and a report that contains a brief description of the proposed change, reasonable alternatives to the change, and mitigation measures which minimize any necessary significant impacts of the proposed change.
8. On the basis of the Initial Study prepared by Santa Ana Regional Board staff (in accordance with California Environmental Quality Act and the State Guidelines), the Santa Ana Regional Board found that adoption of the resolution would have no significant effect on the environment.
9. The Santa Ana Regional Board reviewed the Negative Declaration and concurred with the staff's findings.
10. On June 8, 1984, the Santa Ana Regional Board held a hearing that considered all evidence in this matter and adopted Resolution No. 84-67 revising exemption criteria for discharge prohibitions subsurface leaching-percolation systems for the Yucaipa-Calimesa area.

11. On June 14, 1984, the Santa Ana Regional Board submitted a request for State Board approval of the above amendment in accordance with Section 13245 of the California Water Code.
12. Santa Ana Regional Board staff prepared documents and followed appropriate procedures to satisfy the environmental documentation requirements of both the California Environmental Quality Act, Public Resources Code Section 21080.5, and the Federal Clean Water Act.
13. The Santa Ana Regional Board has followed appropriate procedures to satisfy all relevant State statutes.
14. Basin plan amendments do not become effective until approved by the State Board.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the State Board hereby approves the amendment to the basin plan revising the exemption criteria for administering the subsurface leaching-percolation discharge prohibition for the Yucaipa-Calimesa area as adopted by Santa Ana Regional Board Resolution No. 84-67.

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 September 20, 1984.



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Executive Director