

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL COAST REGION**

**RESOLUTION NO. R3-2005-0075
APPROVING AN INITIAL STUDY
AND
ADOPTING A NEGATIVE DECLARATION
FOR
GENERAL CONDITIONAL WAIVER OF WASTE DISCHARGE
REQUIREMENTS – TIMBER HARVEST ACTIVITIES IN THE
CENTRAL COAST REGION**

(Prepared June 17, 2005)

WHEREAS, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coast Region (Water Board), proposes to adopt Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges from Timber Harvest Lands; and

WHEREAS, the Water Board is the lead agency for this project under the California Environmental Quality Act and has conducted an Initial Study in accordance with title 14, California Code of Regulations, Section 15063, entitled *Guidelines for the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act*; and

WHEREAS, conditions included in the proposed Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements and identified in the Negative Declaration will avoid the project's potential significant effects or will reduce such effects to a less than significant impact; and

WHEREAS, copies of the Initial Study and proposed Negative Declaration were transmitted to or made available to all agencies and persons known to be interested in these matters and the public notice provided exceeded the legal requirements for such notice; and

WHEREAS, the Water Board considered all testimony and evidence at a public hearing held on July 8, 2005, in San Luis Obispo, California, and good cause was found to approve the Initial Study and adopt a Negative Declaration.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coast Region, finds:

1. The Initial Study is approved and the Negative Declaration for the *General Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements – Timber Harvest Activities in the Central Coast Region* is adopted.
2. The record before the Water Board contains no substantial evidence that a fair argument has been made that the project may have a significant effect on the environment.
3. The Central Coast Water Board Executive Officer, or designee, is authorized to sign and submit a Certificate of Fee Exemption pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Sections 753.5 (c).

**Item No. 25 Attachment No. 1
July 7-8, 2005 Meeting
Initial Study and Negative
Declaration**

I, ROGER W. BRIGGS, 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 Cost Region, on July 8, 2005.

ROGER W. BRIGGS, Executive Officer