

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN DIEGO REGION**

TENTATIVE RESOLUTION NO. R9-2025-0007

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING RANCHO CALIFORNIA WATER DISTRICT'S
SALT AND NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE
TEMECULA VALLEY BASIN**

WHEREAS:

1. The State Water Resources Control Board adopted the *Water Quality Control Policy for Recycled Water* (Recycled Water Policy) on February 3, 2009; and amended the policy on January 22, 2013, and December 11, 2018. The Recycled Water Policy provides requirements for the Regional Water Quality Control Boards (Regional Water Boards), proponents of recycled water projects, and the public regarding the methodology and appropriate criteria for the State Water Board and the Regional Water Boards to use when issuing permits for recycled water projects.
2. Section 6 of the Recycled Water Policy requires the development of salt and nutrient management plans (SNMPs) that manage salts and nutrients from all sources on a basin-wide or watershed-wide basis in a manner that ensures attainment of water quality objectives and protection of beneficial uses. Provision 6.2.1 of the Recycled Water Policy encourages local water suppliers, wastewater treatment agencies, and recycled water producers, together with local salt and nutrient contributing stakeholders to develop SNMPs through locally driven and controlled collaborative processes open to all interested parties and the Regional Water Board.
3. The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board) adopted Resolution No. R9-2010-0125, on November 10, 2010, which endorsed the *Guidelines for Salinity and Nutrient Management Planning in the San Diego Region* (SNMP Guidelines). The SNMP Guidelines were developed by the Southern California Salinity Coalition and the San Diego County Water Authority. The SNMP Guidelines identified priority basins by establishing a tier system for ranking all the basins within the San Diego Region. The Guidelines also provided an expected level of detail for the SNMPs based on tier designation of the basin. The SNMP Guidelines designate the Temecula Valley Basin as a tier A basin. The tier A basins are large groundwater basins with significant existing or proposed municipal groundwater and are the highest priority in terms of SNMP development.
4. The Rancho California Water Districts (RCWD) developed the *Temecula Valley Basin Salt and Nutrient Management Plan* (Temecula Valley SNMP) in accordance with Recycled Water Policy, to serve as a technical document to support future San

Diego Water Board decisions. RCWD held four public workshops for the Temecula Valley SNMP which allowed for input from various stakeholders and the public.

5. RCWD submitted the Temecula Valley SNMP to the San Diego Water Board on October 7, 2024, in accordance with the Recycled Water Policy.
6. San Diego Water Board staff evaluated the Temecula Valley SNMP for compliance with the Recycled Water Policy and determined the Temecula Valley SNMP meets the requirements of provision 6.2.4 of the Recycled Water Policy and does not require a require an amendment to the *Water Quality Control Plan for the San Diego Basin*.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the San Diego Water Board accepts the Temecula Valley Basin SNMP prepared and submitted by RCWD.

I, David W. Gibson, 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, San Diego Region, on February 12, 2025.

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David W. Gibson, Executive Officer