

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD  
RESOLUTION NO. 77- 45

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 77-5 ADOPTED BY THE  
CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD,  
SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

WHEREAS:

1. Guidelines adopted by a Regional Board for the implementation of a water quality control plan, adoption of waste discharge or reclamation requirements, execution of enforcement actions or for any other action reviewable by the State Board shall not become effective unless and until approved by the State Board. (State Water Resources Control Board Resolution No. 73-42.)
2. Regional Boards may adopt guidelines to implement various provisions of the water quality control plans or waste discharge requirements or regarding enforcement action.
3. The San Francisco Bay Regional Board, in August of 1974, adopted Resolution No. 74-11, "Policy for Enforcement of Guidelines for Waste Disposal from Dairies" requiring full compliance with the Minimum Guidelines for Animal Waste Management by all dairies in the Tomales Bay and Walker Creek watersheds by September 1, 1976, and for all other dairies in the Region by September 1, 1977.
4. The dairies in the Tomales Bay and Walker Creek watersheds and a significant portion of the others are now substantially in compliance with the Minimum Guidelines.
5. The current drought has created an emergency condition for the dairy industry in the Region by imposing serious operating problems and economic hardships which affect the ability of dairymen to comply with the September 1, 1977, compliance deadline contained in Resolution No. 74-11.
6. Pollution from dairies not now in compliance has been reduced due to lack of runoff, and an extension of the September 1, 1977, compliance deadline could be granted without significant adverse impact on water quality or the environment.
7. The current drought presents a clear and imminent danger to the dairy industry in the Region, demanding immediate action to mitigate serious loss of property; and pursuant to the emergency projects provisions of Section 15071 of the California Administrative Code (State EIR Guidelines), a policy amendment extending the compliance deadline is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act and no Environmental Impact Report is required.

8. The San Francisco Bay Regional Board adopted Resolution No. 77-5 on April 19, 1977, which amends Paragraph VI.2. of Regional Board Resolution No. 74-11 to extend the compliance date for all dairies outside of the Tomales Bay and Walker Creek watersheds to September 1, 1978.
9. The compliance date of September 1, 1978, is consistent with the compliance date established by the North Coast Regional Board for all dairies in those portions of Sonoma and Marin Counties under its jurisdiction. (North Coast Regional Board Resolutions 76-6 and 76-7 adopted on September 23, 1976, and December 2, 1976, and approved by the State Board on November 18, 1976, and January 20, 1977.)

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the State Water Resources Control Board pursuant to State Board Resolution No. 73-42 approve Resolution No. 77-5 adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region on April 19, 1977.

#### CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Executive Officer 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 May 19, 1977.

*Bill B. Dendy*

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Executive Officer