STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 87-34

APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE NORTH COASTAL BASIN TO ESTABLISH A DISCHARGE PROHIBITION FOR THE WILLOWSIDE ESTATES AREA IN SONOMA COUNTY

WHEREAS:

- The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, North Coast Region (North Coast Regional Board), adopted the Water Quality Control Plan for the North Coastal Basin (Basin Plan) on March 20, 1975.
- Division 7 of the California Water Code specifies that basin plans be periodically reviewed and, if appropriate, revised.
- 3. The North Coast Regional Board staff prepared documents and followed procedures satisfying environmental documentation requirements in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act.
- 4. On April 10, 1986, following a public hearing, the North Coast Regional Board adopted Order No. 86-73 amending the Basin Plan by establishing a waste discharge prohibition for individual disposal systems in the unicorporated Willowside Estates area in Sonoma County.
- 5. Unsuitable hydrogeologic conditions in the Willowside Estates area, including seasonally high ground water, heavy clay soils, and inadequate drainage, have resulted in extensive failures of individual disposal systems in the area causing contamination of drinking water wells and surface drainage channels and surface discharge of waste to community streets and drainages.
- 6. The State Board finds, consistent with the California Water Code Section 13280, that there is substantial evidence in the record that the continued discharge of wastes from individual disposal systems in the Willowside Estates area in Sonoma County is causing and will continue to cause contamination and constitutes a threat to public health and water quality.
- 7. In satisfaction of the requirements of Section 13283 of the California Water Code, the State Board has reviewed possible alternatives to prohibiting discharges from individual on-site disposal systems and finds that the only option available for this area is to provide a community sewer system.

8. Basin Plan amendments do not become effective until approved by the State Board.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Basin Plan amendment as adopted on April 10, 1986 by North Coast Regional Board Order No. 86-73 be approved.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Administrative Assistant to the 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 April 16, 1987.

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Administrative Assistant to the Board