

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 92-14

APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE
COMPREHENSIVE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE
SAN DIEGO REGION UPDATING CHAPTER 2 (BENEFICIAL USES)
AND CHAPTER 4 (WATER QUALITY OBJECTIVES)

WHEREAS:

1. The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Regional Board), adopted the Comprehensive Water Quality Control Plan for the San Diego Basin (Basin Plan) on March 17, 1975.
2. Section 13240 of the California Water Code specifies that basin plans be periodically reviewed and, if appropriate, revised.
3. On December 17, 1990, the San Diego Regional Board adopted Resolution No. 90-55 (Attachment 1) amending the Basin Plan by updating Chapter 2 (Beneficial Uses) and Chapter 4 (Water Quality Objectives).
4. San Diego Regional Board Resolution No. 90-55 was subsequently superseded by Resolution No. 91-79 (Attachment 2) adopted by the San Diego Regional Board on December 9, 1991.
5. San Diego Regional Board Resolution No. 91-79 revised beneficial uses and/or water quality objectives based on: (a) information provided by water-related agencies and individuals familiar with local water resources; (b) clarification of beneficial use definitions for agricultural supply (AGR), ground water recharge (GWR), fresh water replenishment (FRSH), and water contact recreation (REC-1); (c) recommendations from ground water studies by the California Department of Water Resources, and (d) previous Basin Plan amendments adopted by the San Diego Regional Board and approved by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Board) since 1978.
6. A beneficial use for fish spawning (SPWN) was originally designated for surface waters in the San Diego Basin in the April 1974 Abstract of the Basin Plan. The Basin Plan adopted by the San Diego Regional Board (March 17, 1975) and approved by the State Board (March 20, 1975) inadvertently omitted SPWN as an existing use for surface waters.
7. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) conditionally approved the Basin Plan on October 11, 1975 provided that SPWN be designated in all surface waters with the Cold Fresh-Water Habitat (COLD) designation. This directive was further reiterated by EPA in its consideration of the 1988 triennial review of the Basin Plan.
8. Removal of a designated beneficial use requires the State and Regional Boards to comply with Section 131.1(g) of the Federal Clean Water Act.

9. The San Diego Regional Board staff prepared documents and followed procedures satisfying environmental documentation requirements in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act and all other regulations of the State.
10. Section 13245 of the California Water Code specifies that a revision of a water quality control plan adopted by a Regional Water Quality Control Board does not become effective until approved by the State Board.
11. Elements of the amendment dealing with surface water standards (objectives and beneficial uses) and implementation plans are subject to approval by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency pursuant to Section 303 of the Federal Clean Water Act.

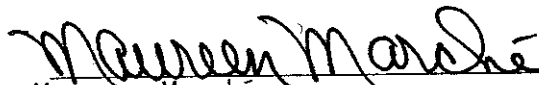
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the State Board approves San Diego Regional Board Resolution No. 91-79 with the provision that by September 30, 1993 the San Diego Regional Board shall:

1. Restore the SPWN beneficial use to those surface waters which are designated as COLD in the Basin Plan or demonstrate that SPWN is not an existing use in these surface waters in compliance with Section 131.1(g) of the Federal Clean Water Act; and
2. Designate the appropriate water habitat beneficial use(s) for the Buena Vista Lagoon.

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 February 20, 1992.


Maureen Marché
Administrative Assistant to the Board

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN DIEGO REGION

RESOLUTION NO. 90-55

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AMENDMENTS
TO THE
COMPREHENSIVE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN
FOR THE
SAN DIEGO REGION

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 13240 et seq. of the California Water Code, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region, caused to be developed a Comprehensive Water Quality Control Plan for the San Diego Water Quality Control Region; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Board, acting in accord with Section 13244 of the California Water Code, on March 1975, adopted the Comprehensive Water Quality Control Plan for the San Diego Water Quality Control Region as set forth in Chapter 1 through 7 of the Comprehensive Water Quality Control Plan Report, San Diego Region (9); and

WHEREAS, the Regional Board has adopted amendments to the Comprehensive Water Quality Control Plan for the San Diego Water Quality Control Region from time to time since March 17, 1975, all of which modified beneficial uses protected and/or water quality objectives for various subareas throughout the Region; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Board received federal funding under Section 205(j) of the Federal Clean Water Act to develop a current and relevant Comprehensive Water Quality Control Plan for the San Diego Region; and

WHEREAS, Regional Board staff reviewed the water quality standards contained in Chapter 2, "Beneficial Uses" and Chapter 4, "Water Quality Objectives" of the Comprehensive Water Quality Control Plan for the San Diego Region; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Board opened a public hearing on September 24, 1990, and continued the public hearing to November 5, 1990, and subsequently continued the public hearing to December 17, 1990, for the purpose of receiving testimony on the proposed update of Chapters 2 and 4 to the Comprehensive Water Quality Control Plan for the San Diego Region; and

WHEREAS, a report describing the proposed amendments and containing environmental documentation functionally equivalent to the California Environmental Quality Act requirements was transmitted to interested individuals and public agencies for review and comment; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Board has reviewed and carefully considered all comments and testimony received relative to the proposed amendments; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Board has determined that the proposed amendments will not have a significant adverse effect on the environment; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Board has determined that the proposed amendments would not add pollutants to either ground or surface waters of the San Diego Region; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Board has determined that the proposed amendments would be consistent with State Board Resolution No. 68-16 and the federal Antidegradation Policy;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Comprehensive Water Quality Control Plan for the San Diego Water Quality Control Region be amended as follows:

1. Industrial Service Supply (IND) would be redesignated as an existing beneficial use of surface water in the Soledad HA (6.10).
2. Industrial Process Supply (PROC) would be designated as an existing beneficial use of ground water in HSAs 3.23, 5.41, 7.11, and 7.12.
3. Saline Water Habitat (SAL) would be deleted as an existing beneficial use at Buena Vista Lagoon.
4. Wildlife Habitat (WILD) would be designated to all coastal waters in the San Diego Region.
5. Ground Water Recharge (GWR) shall be designated as an existing beneficial use to surface waters, including Vail Lake, in HAS 2.50, 2.60, 2.70, 2.80 and 2.90.
6. Ground Water Recharge (GWR) potential beneficial use designations for surface water in HAS 5.20, 5.30, 7.10, 7.20 and 7.30 shall be deleted. A potential beneficial use designations would be assigned to HA 2.40 and Lake Skinner.
7. Freshwater Replenishment (FRSH) would be designated as an existing beneficial use for surface water in HAS 11.30, 11.40, 11.50, 11.60, 11.70 and 3.30 and for ground water in HSA 3.31.

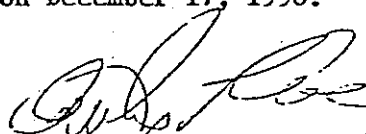
8. Water Contact Recreation (REC-1) would be footnoted for those water bodies where fishing is allowed but swimming is prohibited as follows:

"Fishing from shore or boat permitted but water contact recreational uses are prohibited."
9. Agricultural Supply (AGR) would be deleted as existing beneficial use of surface and ground waters in HSA 7.11.
10. Hydropower Generation (POW) would be deleted as an existing beneficial use of surface waters in HSA 3.21, 4.61, 4.62.
11. Beneficial use table would be established for major domestic water supply reservoirs.
12. Beneficial use table for ground waters would not distinguish whether the existing water quality meets established criteria for beneficial uses.
13. Industrial Service Supply (IND) would be designated as a potential beneficial use rather than an existing use for ground water in HSA 7.13.
14. Municipal and Domestic Supply (MUN), Agricultural Supply (AGR), and Industrial Service Supply (IND) would be described as potential beneficial uses rather than existing uses of ground water in HSA 11.12.
15. Agricultural Supply (AGR) would be designated as an existing beneficial use of surface water in HSA 11.12.
16. Slash symbols showing beneficial use designation that are exceeding water quality objectives would be deleted.
17. Mariculture (CULT) would be added as an existing beneficial use for the Pacific Ocean and Agua Hedionda Lagoon.
18. The fifth paragraph of the water quality objective for bacteria for all inland surface waters and enclosed bays and estuaries shall be amended to read as follows:

"In San Diego Bay where bay waters are used for whole fish handling, the density of E. coli shall not exceed 7 per ml in more than 20-percent of any 20 daily consecutive samples of bay water."

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Chapter 2, "Beneficial Uses" and Chapter 4, "Water Quality Objectives" be revised as shown in Attachment 1 to this Resolution.

I, Arthur L. Coe, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Resolution adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region, on December 17, 1990.



Arthur L. Coe
Executive Officer

FOR OTHER
ATTACHMENTS SEE
EXEC. OFFICE FILES