

STATE WATER BOARD  
RESOLUTION NO. 2005-0062

ADOPTION OF MODIFICATIONS TO STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD  
(STATE WATER BOARD) WATER QUALITY ORDER NO. 2004-0009-DWQ,  
STATEWIDE GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION  
SYSTEM PERMIT FOR THE DISCHARGE OF AQUATIC PESTICIDES FOR  
AQUATIC WEED CONTROL IN WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES,  
GENERAL PERMIT NO. CAG 990005 (WEED CONTROL PERMIT)

WHEREAS:

1. Finding 31 of the Weed Control Permit states that it may be reopened to modify Attachment E if additional entities qualify for an exception according to section 5.3 of the State Water Board's *Policy for Implementation of Toxics Standards for Inland Surface Waters, Enclosed Bays, and Estuaries of California* (Policy). Finding 31 also states that the permit may be reopened to add coverage of aquatic pesticides that have been newly registered by the California Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR).
2. On September 2, 2005, DPR registered imazapyr for aquatic application.
3. The pesticide imazapyr acts quicker and is less toxic than other low-volume herbicides, and imazapyr in water rapidly degrades via photolysis, with no detectable residues of imazapyr found in either water or sediment within two months. In estuarine systems, dilution of imazapyr with the incoming tides contributes to its rapid dissipation suggesting that imazapyr is not environmentally persistent in the estuarine environment.
4. The Santa Cruz Water Department (SCWD) has complied with the exception requirements of section 5.3 of the Policy.
5. The State Water Board has circulated the modifications for a 30-day public review. The State Water Board has held a hearing and has considered all comments on the modifications.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board adopts the attached modifications to [Water Quality Order No. 2004-0009-DWQ](#) and its Attachment E.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Clerk 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 hearing of the State Water Board held on September 7, 2005.

  
Debbie Irvin  
Clerk to the Board