

## SUMMARY OF WATER QUALITY ORDER

<b>ORDER NO.</b>	WQO 2004-0009
<b>DATE ADOPTED</b>	May 20, 2004
<b>PERMIT TITLE</b>	Statewide General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for the Discharge of Aquatic Pesticides for Aquatic Weed Control in Waters of the United States No. CAG 990005
<b>POPULAR NAME</b>	Weed Control Permit
<b>REGIONAL BOARD</b>	Statewide
<b>FILE NO</b>	N/A

### STATEWIDE GENERAL PERMIT

On May 20, 2004, the State Water Resources Control Board (Board) adopted a Statewide General NPDES Permit for the Discharge of Aquatic Pesticides for Aquatic Weed Control in Waters of the United States (Weed Control Permit). The Weed Control Permit regulates the discharge of pollutants associated with the application of certain aquatic pesticides. It requires dischargers to develop and implement Best Management Practices for weed control and pesticide application. It also contains monitoring requirements to assess compliance with receiving water limits.

Some aquatic pesticides covered by the Weed Control Permit contain the priority pollutants acrolein and copper as their active ingredients. The receiving water limits for acrolein and copper are dictated by the California Toxic Rule and the State Implementation Policy (Policy). Pursuant to section 5.3 of the Policy, a discharger may request an exception from the receiving water limits for these priority pollutants. A list of the entities that have fulfilled the requirements of section 5.3 and have been granted an exception by the Board is in Attachment E to the permit.