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DATE: December 3, 2002

SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Decision in Compliance with Section 21080.5 of the Public Resources Code and Submittal of Certificate of Fee Exemption (Fish & Game Code Section 711.4(c)(2)(B)).

Project Proponent: California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region
320 W. 4th Street, Los Angeles CA 90013.

Project Title: Amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Los Angeles Region to revise bacteria objectives for waters designated for water contact recreation.

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Project Description: Regional Board Resolution 2001-018, adopted on October 25, 2001, by the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board amended the Basin Plan for the Coastal Watersheds of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties by revising the bacteria objectives set to protect waters designated for water contact recreation.

The amendment updates the regional bacteria objectives for fresh and marine waters designated as supporting the water contact recreation (REC-1) beneficial use. The amendment establishes bacteriological water quality objectives to protect waters designated for REC-1 that include a combination of bacterial indicators (total coliform; total coliform when the fecal-to-total coliform ratio exceeds 0.1; fecal coliform; *E. coli*; and enterococcus). The amendment also includes implementation provisions, which provide direction on how the objectives shall be applied. The amendment is consistent with U.S. EPA recommendations (1986) and California law (California Code of Regulations, title 17, section 7958).

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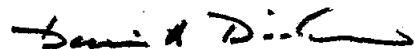
As approved by the State Water Resources Control Board on July 18, 2002 under Board Resolution No. 2002-0142, the amendment revised the Basin Plan by updating the bacteriological objectives set to protect waters designated as REC-1. The Office of Administrative Law approved the regulatory provisions of this amendment on September 19, 2002 (OAL File No. 02-0807-01-S). Final approval of the amendment from the United States Environmental Protection Agency was given on September 25, 2002.

This is to advise that the California Regional Water Quality Control Board – Los Angeles Region, and the State Water Resources Control Board have made the following determination regarding the above project:

THE PROJECT HAS BEEN: X APPROVED
 DISAPPROVED

ENCLOSED IS THE CERTIFICATE OF FEE EXEMPTION AND ACCOMPANYING CEQA CHECKLIST. THE FILING FEE IS NOT REQUIRED DUE TO THE FINDING OF DE MINIMUS IMPACT.

DATE RECEIVED FOR FILING: _____



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Attachments: Certificate of Fee Exemption
CEQA Checklist

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