

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN DIEGO REGION

TENTATIVE RESOLUTION NO. R9-2008-0129

ADOPTION OF A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION REGARDING
POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS FOR
EXISTING DAIRY ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATIONS

WHEREAS, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (hereinafter Regional Board), finds that:

1. The project is the adoption of General Order No. R9-2008-0130, Waste Discharge Requirements for existing Dairy Operations in the San Diego Region. This project would regulate the discharge of Dairy Operation wastes to land from the eight existing dairies in the San Diego Region, and covers expansions of the dairies up to 1999 mature milking cows.
2. The Regional Board is functioning as the lead agency, which has the principal responsibility for approving the proposed project and is responsible for preparation of environmental documents; and
3. The Regional Board prepared an Initial Study/Environmental Checklist for the project in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA; Public Resources Code, section 21000 et seq.) and the State CEQA guidelines (Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15000, et seq.); and
4. The environmental impacts of this project will be less than significant; and
5. The Regional Board has prepared a Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration pertaining to the proposed discharge of wastes; and
6. A notice of intent to adopt the Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration was published in the North County Times and the San Diego Union on November 5, 2008, 36 days prior to adoption, in compliance with section 15072; and
7. The proposed Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration was sent to the State Clearinghouse and local responsible agencies for review; and
8. No comments were received; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Regional Board hereby adopts the Mitigated Negative Declaration and certifies that the Mitigated Negative Declaration reflects proper assessment of environmental impacts of the General Waste Discharge Requirements for existing dairies in the San Diego Region and that the environmental impacts of the project will be less than significant.

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I, John H. Robertus, Executive Officer, do hereby certify that this Order with all attachments is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region, on December 10, 2008.

JOHN H. ROBERTUS, Executive Officer
San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board