

EXECUTIVE OFFICER SUMMARY REPORT  
February 10, 2010

- ITEM: 9
- SUBJECT: Information Item: Presentation by State Board Office of Enforcement on the 2009 Water Quality Enforcement Policy and Policy on Supplemental Environmental Projects (*Reed Sato/Jeremy Haas*)
- PURPOSE: To inform the Regional Board on recent changes in the statewide enforcement policy. The State Board recently adopted two policies directly affecting the region's enforcement process: Water Quality Enforcement Policy (WQEP) (November 2009); and Policy on Supplemental Environmental Projects (SEPs) (February 2009).
- PUBLIC NOTICE: This item was noticed in the February Agenda and also posted on the Regional Board website on January 21, 2010.
- DISCUSSION: The State Board adopted the new WQEP in November 2009 and a separate Policy on SEPs in February 2009. The WQEP is currently being reviewed by the Office of Administrative Law, but the SEP Policy is currently in effect. The two policies were revised to be consistent with the enforcement related goals included in the State Board Strategic Plan. The Policies preserve Regional Board discretion to take actions and commit the Regional Boards to procedures that will increase transparency, accountability, and statewide consistency in the enforcement process. Mr. Reed Sato, Director of the State Board Office of Enforcement, will provide an overview of the Policies. Mr. Jeremy Haas will provide an overview of implementation within the San Diego Region.
- LEGAL CONCERNS: None.
- SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS: 1. Water Quality Enforcement Policy  
2. Policy on Supplemental Environmental Projects
- RECOMMENDATION(S): This is an informational item and no action is necessary.