STATE WATER BOARD

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-0076

APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE LOS ANGELES REGION TO INCORPORATE A TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD FOR TOXIC POLLUTANTS IN SEDIMENT IN BALLONA CREEK ESTUARY

WHEREAS:

1. The Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Los Angeles Water Board) adopted the revised Water Quality Control Plan for the Los Angeles Region (Basin Plan) under Resolution No. 94-07 on June 13, 1994. The revised Basin Plan was approved by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) on November 17, 1994 and by the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) on February 23, 1995.

2. On July 7, 2005, the Los Angeles Water Board adopted Resolution No. R05-008 (Attachment) amending Chapter 7 of the Basin Plan by establishing a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for cadmium, copper, lead, silver, zinc, chlordane, total isomers and metabolites of dichlorodiphenyl-trichloroethane (DDT), total polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), and total polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) in sediment in Ballona Creek Estuary.

3. The State Water Board finds that the amendment is in conformance with the requirements for TMDL development specified in section 303(d) of the federal Clean Water Act and State Water Board Resolution No. 68-16.

4. The State Water Board finds that the Basin Plan amendment is in conformance with the requirements of Water Code section 13240, which specifies that Regional Water Quality Control Boards shall periodically review and may revise Basin Plans, and section 13242 which requires a program of implementation of water quality objectives.

5. Basin Plan amendments do not become effective until approved by the State Water Board and until the regulatory provisions are approved by OAL. In addition, TMDLs must be approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA).

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board:

1. Approves the amendment to the Basin Plan as adopted under Los Angeles Water Board Resolution No. R05-008.

2. Authorizes the Executive Director to submit the amendment adopted under Los Angeles Water Board Resolution No. R05-008, as approved, and the administrative record for this action to OAL and the TMDL to USEPA for approval.

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 meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on October 20, 2005.

Debbie Irvin
Clerk to the Board