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DATE: December 8, 2021

SUBJECT: SUBMITTAL OF A NOTICE OF DECISION: AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE CENTRAL COASTAL BASIN

The Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Coast Water Board) is herein transmitting a Notice of Decision for a recently approved amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Central Coastal Basin (Basin Plan). The Central Coast Water Board periodically revises and amends the Basin Plan and has determined the Basin Plan requires an amendment to incorporate a total maximum daily load (TMDL) for total phosphorus and an implementation strategy for Pinto Lake, Santa Cruz County.

The Water Quality Control Planning Program of the State Water Board and the Regional Water Quality Control Boards is a certified regulatory program under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to section 21080.5 of the Public Resources Code. A Basin Plan amendment approved by a certified regulatory program is not final until the Central Coast Water Board files a Notice of Decision with the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency and the Department of Fish and Wildlife provides either a “No Effect Determination” or confirmation of its receipt of an environmental filing fee.

On July 16, 2020, the Central Coast Water Board adopted Resolution No. R3-2020-0034, amending the Basin Plan to establish this TMDL and the associated
implementation strategy. Subsequently, on April 20, 2021, the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) approved the amendment under Resolution No. 2021-0014. The Office of Administrative Law provided its Notice of Approval of this Basin Plan amendment on September 9, 2021.

Attached are copies of the Notice of Decision and documentation of the transmittal of the CEQA environmental filing fee to the Department of Fish and Wildlife. Also attached is the Central Coast Water Board’s Resolution No. R3-2020-0034, State Board Resolution No. 2021-0014, and the CEQA environmental checklist.

We request staff of the Office of Planning and Research provide us with verification of this filing of the Notice of Determination by date stamping and electronically returning the Notice of Decision to the Central Coast Water Board’s lead staff at Pete.Osmolovsky@waterboards.ca.gov.

Should you have any questions regarding this Basin Plan amendment, please contact our lead staff person, Peter Bonch Osmolovsky, at (805) 549-3699 or Pete.Osmolovsky@waterboards.ca.gov.

5 Attachments (3, 4, and 5 provided by hyperlink):

1. Notice of Decision
2. Department of Fish and Wildlife Environmental Filing Fee Receipt
3. Central Coast Water Board Resolution No. R3-2020-0034
4. State Water Board Resolution No. 2021-0014
5. CEQA Environmental Checklist

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