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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—1999–2000 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1909**

**Introduced by Assembly Member Jackson**

February 11, 2000

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An act to add and repeal Chapter 5.10 (commencing with Section 13399.50) of Division 7 of the Water Code, relating to water.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1909, as amended, Jackson. Storm water street runoff.

Under existing law, the discharge of storm water is regulated under the national pollutant discharge elimination system (NPDES) permit program.

This bill would, to the extent funding is appropriated for this purpose, require the State Water Resources Control Board to contract with the University of California, for a street runoff reduction pilot program under which cities, counties, or cities and counties in the coastal zone would receive grants to demonstrate the use of catch basin insert screens as a method of preventing entry of debris into the catch basin. The bill would require the board to submit a report to the Legislature

regarding the findings of the pilot program. The bill would provide for the repeal of these provisions on January 1, 2003.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares that  
2 polluted waters discharged into the ocean from storm  
3 drains reduce the economic potential of recreational and  
4 tourism development, damage marine ecosystems, and  
5 place swimmers at risk. It is, therefore, a high priority of  
6 the state to reduce, to the greatest extent feasible,  
7 pollutants originating from street runoff that might  
8 otherwise be discharged into coastal waters.

9 SEC. 2. Chapter 5.10 (commencing with Section  
10 13399.50) is added to Division 7 of the Water Code, to  
11 read:

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13 CHAPTER 5.10. STREET RUNOFF REDUCTION PILOT  
14 PROGRAM

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16 13399.50. (a) To the extent funding is appropriated  
17 for this purpose, the state board shall contract with the  
18 University of California for a street runoff reduction pilot  
19 program.

20 (b) The program shall be designed so that a city,  
21 county, or city and county in the coastal zone may receive  
22 a grant to demonstrate the use of catch basin insert  
23 screens as a method for preventing entry of debris *and*  
24 *pollutants* into the catch basins.

25 (c) The California Conservation Corps, to the extent  
26 feasible, shall assist a city, county, or city and county with  
27 the placement and removal of storm water diversion  
28 devices pursuant to this chapter.

29 (d) The pilot projects shall be limited to not more than  
30 three participating cities, counties, or cities and counties,  
31 each encompassing a project area of approximately 15  
32 acres.



1 (e) The state board shall submit a report to the  
2 Legislature regarding the findings of the pilot program  
3 on or before January 1, 2003.

4 13399.51. This chapter shall remain in effect only until  
5 January 1, 2003, and as of that date is repealed, unless a  
6 later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1,  
7 2003, deletes or extends that date.

8 *SEC. 3. It is the intent of the Legislature in a*  
9 *subsequent measure to appropriate funds under the*  
10 *Costa-Machado Water Act of 2000 (Division 26*  
11 *(commencing with Section 79000) of the Water Code) to*  
12 *carry out Chapter 5.10 (commencing with Section*  
13 *13399.50) of Division 7 of the Water Code, to the extent*  
14 *that the program established pursuant to that chapter is*  
15 *eligible for those funds. If funds are unavailable for these*  
16 *purposes, the state board may utilize the General Fund*  
17 *to the extent that any funding is appropriated to conduct*  
18 *a program pursuant to Chapter 5.10 (commencing with*  
19 *Section 13399.50) of Division 7 of the Water Code.*

