STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2000 - 084

APPROVAL OF CLEANUP AND ACCOUNT FUNDS FOR ERADICATION OF AN INFESTATION OF THE INVASIVE MARINE ALGA, CAULERPA TAXIFOLIA WITHIN AGUA HEDIONDA LAGOON SAN DIEGO REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD (SDRWQCB)

WHEREAS:

- 1. *Caulerpa taxifolia*, A highly invasive green alga, was discovered within a portion of Agua Hedionda Lagoon, a saltwater lagoon tributary to the Pacific Ocean.
- 2. *Caulerpa taxifolia* forms a smothering blanket over any kind of marine substrate crowding out native species.
- 3. The permanent establishment of *Caulerpa taxifolia* in California will likely result in devastating ecological and economic consequences for the State.
- 4. A coalition of federal, state, and county agencies, along with a power plant has formed a partnership to develop and implement a prompt, effective eradication of the infestation.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Resources Control Board

- 1. Commits \$600,000 to the SDRWQCB to eradicate *Caulerpa taxifolia* from Agua Hedionda Lagoon in the City of Carlsbad.
- 2. Establishes an end date for this project of September 30, 2001.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Administrative Assistant 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 19, 2000.

/s/

Maureen Marché Administrative Assistant to the Board