

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION

RESOLUTION NO. 77-83

ENCOURAGING WASTEWATER RECLAMATION IN THE  
COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION

- WHEREAS, Water Quality Control Plans adopted April 10, 1975 by the Regional Board encourage reclamation and reuse of wastewaters, wherever feasible, in order to preserve freshwater supplies to the maximum extent possible; and
- WHEREAS, Section 13512 of the Water Code provides in part "that the State undertake all possible steps to encourage development of water reclamation facilities so that reclaimed water may be made available to help meet the growing water requirements of the State"; and
- WHEREAS, On January 6, 1977, the State Water Resources Control Board adopted a "Policy and Action Plan for Water Reclamation in California" to implement the legislative directive contained in Section 13512 of the Water Code; and
- WHEREAS, Said "Policy and Action Plan for Water Reclamation in California" requires increased consideration of wastewater reclamation alternatives through the Clean Water Grant Program; and
- WHEREAS, The State Board issued "Guidelines for Preparation and Submittal of Regional Project List and State Priority List, September 1977" that, in part, implements the directive for increased consideration of wastewater reclamation alternatives; and
- WHEREAS, The Regional Boards develop regional project lists that include wastewater reclamation wherever feasible; and
- WHEREAS, The 1976-77 drought has demonstrated the immediate need for reclamation use of wastewaters; now therefore be it

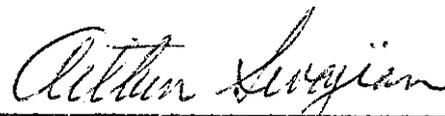
RESOLVED, That the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region, requests interested parties to submit reclamation project proposals for inclusion on the Regional Clean Water Grant Project List; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the reclamation project proposals should comply with the following conditions:

1. Vested water rights will not be adversely impacted and instream beneficial uses will not be unreasonably impaired.
2. An unreasonable burden will not be placed on present water supply systems.
3. Project will meet at least one of the following conditions:
  - a. Wastewater to be reclaimed is now (or will be) discharged towards marine or brackish receiving waters (Salton Sea and salt sinks) or evaporation ponds.
  - b. Freshwater, or better quality water will be replaced or supplemented.
  - c. Instream beneficial uses will be preserved, restored, or enhanced; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Executive Officer is authorized, and is hereby directed, to certify and submit copies of this Resolution to persons who have need therefore or who may request same.

I, Arthur Swajian, Executive Officer, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region, on September 21, 1977.



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Executive Officer