STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2002 - 0121

APPROVAL OF A STATE REVOLVING FUND (SRF) LOAN FOR THE VALLEJO SANITATION AND FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT (DISTRICT) FOR SANITARY SEWER OVERFLOW ELIMINATION PROGRAM PHASE 1 (PROJECT); SRF LOAN PROJECT NO. C-06-4790-110

WHEREAS:

- 1. The State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB), on February 16, 1995, adopted the *Policy* for Implementing the State Revolving Fund for Construction of Wastewater Treatment Facilities, and revised it on June 18, 1998;
- 2. The SWRCB, on June 21, 2001, adopted the state fiscal year 2001/2002 SRF Loan Program Priority List which included the Sanitary Sewer Overflow Elimination Program Phase 1 Project for the District in the fundable Priority Category B;
- 3. The Division of Clean Water Programs (Division) has reviewed the SRF loan application and supporting documents, and issued a Facilities Plan Approval (FPA) letter on May 14, 2002; and
- 4. The District certified an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) (State Clearinghouse No. 2000052009) for the proposed project which has been reviewed and considered, and it has been determined that:
 - (a) Changes or alterations have been required in or incorporated in to the proposed project which avoid or reduce to less than significant levels potentially significant environmental effects identified in the EIR with respect to: (i) impacts to soils which will be mitigated by preparing a detailed geotechnical report for the proposed project facilities to be followed during construction and reincorporating viable plant species back into disturbed areas to stabilize soils; (ii) impacts to biological resources which will be mitigated by obtaining a Streambed Alteration Agreement from the Department of Fish and Game if necessary, implementing a revegetation program to restore original features of affected stream and wetland areas, requiring staging areas to be placed in already disturbed areas, preparing a sediment erosion control plan, taking standard precautions to avoid any fuel or hazardous materials releases, reducing project dust, delineating any special-status species habitat occurring within the vicinity of the proposed projects sites, timing construction activities to avoid breeding and nesting seasons, educating construction crews about potential impacts to special-status species, using signs and flags to designate sensitive habitat areas, monitoring by a qualified biologist at sites where sensitive habitat exists, requiring surveys for raptors by a qualified biologist during the nesting season, and replacing any trees damaged during construction on a 1:1 ratio utilizing like species; (iii) impacts to water quality which will be mitigated by minimizing surface water runoff, implementing a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan for activities disturbing areas greater than five acres, requiring a NPDES permit from the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board, and obtaining required stream crossing permits if necessary;

- (iv) impacts to air quality which will be mitigated by reduction of construction dust through standard mitigation measures, obtaining an air quality permit from the BAAQMD for criteria pollutant emissions, and implementing appropriate odor control measures; (v) impacts to noise which will be mitigated by reducing construction noise through standard noise suppression measures; and (vi) impacts to cultural resources which will be mitigated by protection of previously undiscovered historic and archeological resources through halting construction activity in the event of the discovery of buried cultural resources, and consulting a qualified archeologist to assess the significance of the discovery.
- (b) With respect to other potentially significant environmental impacts identified in the environmental document, appropriate changes or alterations are not within the responsibility and jurisdiction of the SWRCB. Such other changes or alterations have been adopted or should be adopted by other agencies.
- (c) Project alternatives for Phase 1 have been considered and it has been concluded that the proposed project is the environmentally superior alternative.
- (d) Copies of the draft and final EIR's are available for review at CAL/EPA 1001 I Street, 16th Floor, Sacramento California, 95814 during normal business hours.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Resources Control Board:

- 1. Approves a State Revolving Fund (SRF) loan of \$17 million from the state fiscal years 2002/03 and 2003/04 accounts for the Vallejo Sanitation and Flood Control District's (District) Project, with a repayment period of 20 years, and the first repayment due one year after completion of construction;
- 2. Will withdraw this preliminary SRF loan commitment if the District does not submit final plans and specifications by July 31, 2002. The Division of Clean Water Programs may approve up to a 90-day extension for good cause;
- 3. Requires, as a condition of loan approval, that mitigation measures for water quality, specified in the Final EIR for the Project, be implemented; and
- 4. The Project Performance Standards will be based on Waste Discharge Requirements.

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 June 20, 2002.

Maureen Marché
Clark to the Board