

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 2002 - 0160

AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF A CONTRACT AND AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNTY OF MERCED FOR DEVELOPMENT OF A COMPREHENSIVE NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT PLAN (CNMP) TECHNICAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENT THAT WILL ALSO PROVIDE STATEWIDE BENEFIT USING WATER CODE SECTION 79114.2, ADDED BY THE COSTA-MACHADO WATER ACT OF 2000 (2000 BOND ACT)

WHEREAS:

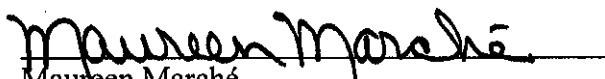
1. As part of the 2000 Bond Act, Water Code section 79114.2 authorizes \$5 million for the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) to award as grants or loans. Grants may be awarded to local public agencies to pay for the cost of developing ordinances, regulations, and elements for their General Plans or for other planning devices to assist in providing uniform standards for the permitting and operation of animal feeding operations within their jurisdictions.
2. Merced County proposes to develop a CNMP Technical Guidance Document.
3. Merced County will develop this CNMP Technical Guidance Document in coordination with the Natural Resources Conservation Service, University of California, Davis Extension experts, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, commodity groups, and Regional Water Quality Control Board/SWRCB staffs. This collaboration will provide a CNMP Technical Guidance Document which may also be embraced and implemented statewide thus resulting in consistent plan preparation at the local level. The grant will pay for the following costs:
 - a. Preparation, review, pilot testing ("alpha testing"), and revision of the CNMP Technical Guidance Document.
 - b. Compilation and preparation of supplemental educational materials suitable for use by individuals and organizations.
 - c. Evaluation of CNMP procedures ("beta testing").
 - d. Preparation of a revised CNMP Technical Guidance Document and accompanying educational package that incorporates the results of the field-testing.
4. The estimated cost for the development of a CNMP Technical Guidance Document is \$253,000.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

SWRCB authorizes issuance of a contract and amendments with the County of Merced for an amount up to \$253,000 to develop a CNMP Technical Guidance Document in order to quantify nutrient/manure flows and protect water and air quality.

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 November 19, 2002.


Maureen Marché
Clerk to the Board