WHEREAS, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (Regional Board) proposes to adopt Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges from Irrigated Lands; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Board is the lead agency for this project under the California Environmental Quality Act and has conducted an Initial Study in accordance with Title 14, California Code of Regulations, Section 15063, entitled Guidelines for the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act; and

WHEREAS, conditions included in the proposed Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements and identified in the Negative Declaration will avoid the project’s potential significant effects or will reduce such effects to a less than significant impact; and

WHEREAS, copies of the Initial Study and proposed Negative Declaration were transmitted to or made available to all agencies and persons known to be interested in these matters and the public notice provided exceeded the legal requirements for such notice; and

WHEREAS, the comments received have been addressed; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Board considered all testimony and evidence at a public hearing held on 5 December 2002 in Sacramento, California, and good cause was found to approve the Initial Study and adopt a Negative Declaration.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region finds:

1. The Initial Study is approved and the Negative Declaration for the Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges from Irrigated Lands is adopted.

2. The record before the Regional Board contains no substantial evidence that a fair argument has been made that the project may have a significant effect on the environment.
APPROVING AN INITIAL STUDY AND ADOPTING A NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR
CONDITIONAL WAIVER OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR DISCHARGES
FROM IRRIGATED LANDS

I, THOMAS R. PINKOS, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and
correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central
Valley Region, on 5 December 2002.

THOMAS R. PINKOS, Executive Officer