WHEREAS:

1. The Regional Board approved renewal of the Sacramento County MS4 permit for the cities of Sacramento, Citrus Heights, Elk Grove, Folsom, Galt, Rancho Cordova and the County of Sacramento (hereafter Permittees) on 6 December 2002 (Order No. R5-2002-0206, NPDES Permit No. CAS082597).

2. Provision C.2 of the MS4 permit requires the Permittees to prepare a Storm Water Quality Improvement Plan (SQIP), which shall be subject to a public review period and approval by the Regional Board. In compliance with this requirement, each Permittee has completed a SQIP.

3. The SQIPs include program elements that each Permittee will implement to reduce the discharge of pollutants in storm water to the maximum extent practicable, and to effectively prohibit non-storm water discharges into MS4s within each Permittees’ jurisdiction.

4. The SQIPs describe the framework for management of storm water discharges during the term of the permit. The SQIPs describe the goals and objectives, legal authority, source identification process, funding sources, fiscal analysis, performance standards, Best Management Practice (BMPs) evaluation and improvement process, and monitoring plan of the Permittees’ storm water management program.

5. The goal of the Permittees’ SQIPs is to reduce the degradation, by urban runoff, of the beneficial uses of natural resources of the metropolitan areas of Sacramento County. These natural resources include major waterways and tributary streams, and regional groundwater aquifers.
6. The 30-day public review for the cities of Sacramento, Citrus Heights, Folsom, Galt, Rancho Cordova and the County of Sacramento SQIP ended on 16 August 2004 with no comments received.

7. The 30-day public review for the city of Elk Grove SQIP ended on 23 August 2004 with no comments received.

8. Regional Board staff has reviewed the Permittee’ SQIPs and found it to be in compliance with permit provisions.

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

Approve the County of Sacramento and the Cities of Sacramento, Citrus Heights, Elk Grove, Folsom, Galt, and Rancho Cordova’s Stormwater Quality Improvement Plans.

I, THOMAS R. PINKOS, Executive Office, 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 15 October 2004.

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THOMAS R. PINKOS, Executive Officer