## CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION

## RESOLUTION NO. 77-28

REQUESTING ESTABLISHMENT OF AGRICULTURAL WATER QUALITY SPECIALIST POSITIONS WITHIN THE STATE CIVIL SERVICE SYSTEM

- WHEREAS, Under Division 7 of the California Water Code the State
  Water Resources Control Board and each California Regional
  Water Quality Control Board are designated as the principal
  state agencies with primary responsibility for the coordination and control of water quality; and
- WHEREAS, Agriculture is the predominant industry in the Colorado River Basin Region of California, and is also the predominant user and discharger of water in the Region; and
- WHEREAS, coordination and control of water quality as related to agricultural water use and discharge has resulted in this Board's urgent need of staff personnel with special expertise in agricultural operations, such as crop irrigation, soil salinity control, fertilizer applications, pest control, drainage, and runoff; and
- WHEREAS, there are in the State of California, both in the academic and operational structures, persons who qualify as agricultural specialists; and
- WHEREAS, the California State Civil Service does not presently include a specific employment category for various grades of agricultural water quality specialists, such that employment of these specialists must presently be made via State Personnel Board lists which were designed for specialties far divergent from that of agricultural water quality specialists; and
- WHEREAS, the absence of a specific civil service category for agricultural water quality specialists is causing difficult in recruitment and placement of persons with the required expertise; now therefore be it

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RESOLVED, that the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region urges that the State Water Resources Control Board make all necessary representations to obtain, as soon as possible, a civil service category for agricultural water quality specialists; and

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the State Water Resources Control Board, and to others as may appear necessary.

I, Arthur Swajian, 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, Colorado River Basin Region, on March 16, 1977

Executive Officer