CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION

RESOLUTION NO. 78-33

SUPPORTING ADOPTION OF THE CLEAN WATER AND WATER CONSERVATION BOND LAW OF 1978

- WHEREAS, Sewerage entities within the Colorado River Basin Region will be required to construct additional treatment works to help meet the water quality needs of this Region; and
- WHEREAS, State funds available under the Clean Water Bond Laws of 1970 and 1974 for the purpose of aiding local sewerage entities with necessary construction costs are nearing exhaustion, and state assistance to local sewerage entities will terminate in the near future in the absence of additional state funds being made available; and
- WHEREAS, Many sewerage entities have already received state assistance for their projects, and it would be unfair to deprive other sewerage entities of necessary state assistance; and
- WHEREAS, Discontinuance of state assistance will generally require sewerage entities to pay 25 percent of the eligible cost of construction of treatment works rather than $12\frac{1}{2}$ percent of such cost; and
- WHEREAS, Some sewerage entities will be unable to construct necessary facilities in the absence of state assistance; and
- WHEREAS, Discontinuance of state assistance will inevitably result in delay of construction of necessary treatment works, reclamation projects, and water conservation projects. Delay will cause:
 - (a) Adverse environmental effects;
 - (b) Adverse impacts on agriculture, industry, commerce and recreation in this Region;
 - (c) Increase in the ultimate cost of providing necessary facilities;

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(d) Delay in meeting the water quality and water supply needs of this Region;

- (e) Possible loss of needed federal assistance for local sewerage entities; and
- (f) Adverse impacts on employment, with concommitant adverse effects on local economies; and
- WHEREAS, The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region, is the principal state agency with primary responsibility for the coordination and control of water quality in the Region; now, therefore be it
- RESOLVED, 1. That state assistance to local sewerage entities to aid these entities in constructing necessary treatment works should be continued and state assistance to local sewerage entities to aid in construction of additional reclamation and water conservation projects should be provided;
 - 2. That in order to provide such state assistance, additional state funds must be provided; and
 - 3. That it is the official position of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region, that the Clean Water and Water Conservation Bond Law of 1978 should be adopted by the people of this State.

I, Arthur Swajian, Executive Officer, do hereby certify that 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 8, 1978.

Executive Officer