

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL COAST REGION
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RESOLUTION R3-2009-0065
October 23, 2009

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF COUNTY OF MONTEREY AND SAN JERARDO HOUSING COOPERATIVE, INC. REQUESTS FOR FUNDING FROM THE STATE WATER POLLUTION CLEANUP AND ABATEMENT ACCOUNT FOR SAN JERARDO INTERIM DRINKING WATER TREATMENT AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coast Region (hereafter Central Coast Water Board) finds:

1. California Water Code Sections 13440 through 13443 established the State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account (CAA) to be administered by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board);
2. Grants to public agencies are available from the CAA. The State Water Board may order monies to be paid from the CAA to a public agency to assist it in cleaning up waste or abating its effects on waters of the State;
3. The County of Monterey is requesting grant funding from the CAA in the amount of \$543,826 to continue interim drinking water treatment for residents of the San Jerardo Housing Cooperative until a long-term drinking water treatment system is complete (Fall 2010);
4. The San Jerardo Housing Cooperative, Inc. is requesting grant funding from the CAA in the amount of \$630,500 to complete wastewater treatment system improvements;
5. Groundwater in the San Jerardo area is impacted with high levels of nitrate and 1,2,3 – Trichloropropane;
6. The residents of San Jerardo have been under a bottled water order for drinking water since 2001 and the County of Monterey installed an interim drinking water treatment system in 2007;
7. Wastewater treatment system upgrades are necessary to address high levels of nitrate and 1,2,3 – Trichloropropane and to implement water quality monitoring in compliance with current regulatory requirements;
8. The Central Coast Water Board is responsible for ensuring that present and potential beneficial uses applicable to the groundwater basins in the region are protected from the pollution and nuisance that may occur as a result of waste discharges;

9. The above projects will have direct benefit for the Central Coast Water Board's groundwater protection efforts in Monterey County, consistent with the vision of Healthy Watersheds and measurable goal of Clean Groundwater;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Central Coast Water Board hereby supports the County of Monterey and the San Jerardo Housing Cooperative, Inc. requests for CAA funding to continue interim drinking water treatment for residents of the San Jerardo Housing Cooperative and completion of wastewater treatment system upgrades, respectively;
2. The Executive Officer is directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the State Water Board;

I, ROGER W. BRIGGS, Executive Officer of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coast Region, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Coast Region, on October 23, 2009.

Executive Officer

October 23, 2009

Date