

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
THE RESOURCES AGENCY
STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

In the Matter of Determination of
the Rights of the Various Claimants
to the Waters of Roaring Creek and
its Tributaries Upstream From the
Big Bend Road Bridge in the SE¼ of
NE¼, Section 1, T35N, R1W, MDB&M
in Shasta County, California

ORDER 78-12
GRANTING PETITION
FOR DETERMINATION
OF WATER RIGHTS

WHEREAS:

1. Eugene W. Parham, Ronald T. Epperson, Masako Takagi Dolan, Keiji and Fumiye Takagi and David M. Takagi have filed two petitions with the State Water Resources Control Board pursuant to Water Code Section 2525 requesting determination of the rights of the various claimants to the waters of Roaring Creek stream system tributary to the Pit River in Shasta County, California.

2. The Board has made an investigation to determine the public interest and necessity for a statutory adjudication on Roaring Creek in Shasta County and the findings of this investigation are summarized in the document entitled "Preliminary Investigation Pursuant to Petition for Adjudication on Roaring Creek in Shasta County" (July 1978).

3. The Board has reviewed the subject report and finds the following:

- a. Roaring Creek drains a watershed of about 36 square miles Shasta County. It is tributary to the Pit River at a point about nine miles above Shasta Reservoir.
- b. The principal disputes on diversion of water from Roaring Creek stream system are limited to the 10 square mile

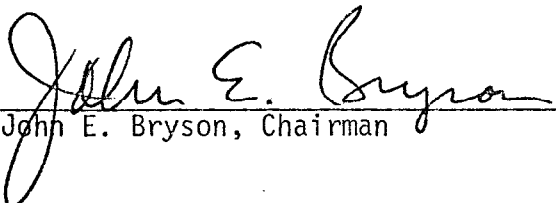
watershed of the main branch of Roaring Creek upstream from the Big Bend Road Bridge.

- c. Even during dry years, stream flow of Roaring Creek below the Big Bend Road is sufficient to supply the few diversions in that area.
- d. Water from Roaring Creek above the Big Bend Road is used by about 24 persons for domestic and stockwatering purposes and for irrigation of crops including pasture and orchard.
- e. More land has been developed for irrigation than can be irrigated in years of less than normal stream flow.
- f. During the dry summer of 1977 controversies developed between water users over magnitude and priorities of the various water rights.
- g. Roaring Creek supports a valuable fishery, and instream water use should be considered in the adjudication.
- h. The facts and conditions are such that the public interest and necessity will be served by a determination of all the rights to the waters of the watershed of the main branch of Roaring Creek upstream from the Big Bend Road Bridge.

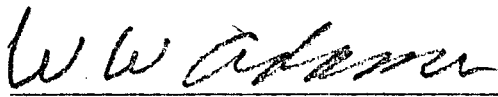
NOW, THEREFORE IT IS ORDERED that said petition be, and it is hereby granted for that portion of the Roaring Creek stream system tributary to the main branch of Roaring Creek above the Big Bend Road Bridge.

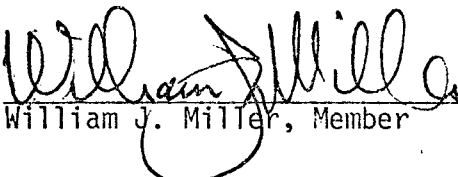
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the investigation of said stream system shall begin on October 2, 1978, and that all claimants shall notify the Board in writing by December 1, 1978, of their intention to file proofs of claim.

DATED: SEP 25 1978


John E. Bryson, Chairman


W. Don Maughan, Vice Chairman


W. W. Adams, Member


William J. Miller, Member


L. L. Mitchell, Member