

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 90-80

APPROVING LOAN FUNDING FOR PANOCHÉ DRAINAGE DISTRICT UNDER
THE AGRICULTURAL DRAINAGE WATER MANAGEMENT LOAN PROGRAM

WHEREAS:

1. California's abundant streams, rivers, bays, estuaries, and ground water are threatened with pollution from agricultural drainage water.
2. The Water Conservation and Water Quality Bond Law of 1986 provides funds for the construction of cost-effective containment structures and treatment facilities for agricultural drainage water.
3. A loan application has been received from Panoche Drainage District for funding under the Agricultural Drainage Water Management Loan Program for the San Luis Drain Bypass Project.
4. A significant water quality benefit to Salt Slough and the Grasslands waterways will be achieved by this project, and these benefits outweigh the potential adverse impacts for the short term.
5. The project is limited to five years by the terms of the District's permit with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation for the use of the San Luis Drain.
6. The San Luis Drain Bypass Project has received the support of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the California Department of Fish and Game, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region and others, and is recognized in the Water Quality Control Plan for drainage water management in the San Joaquin River Basin..
7. Title 23, California Administrative Code, Section 3750 provides that applications to the State Board for discretionary financial assistance be supported by an Initial Study and a Negative Declaration or an EIR.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE STATE BOARD:

1. Approves loan funding in the amount of \$600,000 to Panoche Drainage District.
2. Conditions this approval on the satisfactory completion of the CEQA planning process, in a manner acceptable to the State Board and that the CEQA documentation be provided to the State Board by January 1, 1991.

3. Authorizes the Executive Director or his designee to execute, after approval by the State Legislature, and after review of CEQA documentation and Board Members concurrence of the adequacy of that documentation, for and on behalf of the State Board, a contract and amendments thereto with Panoche Drainage District for a loan under the Water Conservation and Water Quality Bond Law of 1986, and to perform all acts and to do all things necessary and convenient to implement such contract.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Administrative Assistant to the Board, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on July 19, 1990.

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