

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD  
RESOLUTION NO. 91-27

CLEANUP AND ABATEMENT ACCOUNT FUNDING FOR THE TRANSPORT AND  
TREATMENT OF SEWAGE FLOWS DIVERTED FROM THE TIJUANA RIVER

WHEREAS:

1. Uncontrolled sewage discharges from Tijuana, Mexico result in a dry weather continuous flow of 13 million gallons per day in the Tijuana River.
2. Such sewage flow contaminates the Tijuana River, produces mosquito habitat, threatens the ecology of the Tijuana River National Estuarine Research Reserve and contaminates Pacific Ocean Beaches.
3. A binational treatment plant and ocean outfall to treat and dispose of Tijuana sewage flow will not be operational until 1995/1996.
4. Mexico has offered to divert sewage flows from the Tijuana River if the City of San Diego will transport, treat and dispose such flows at its Point Loma facility.
5. The City of San Diego has asked the State Board as well as the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the International Boundary and Water Commission for funds to offset its cost to analyze, transport, treat and dispose diverted sewage flows.
6. The incremental cost to analyze, transport, treat and dispose 13 million gallons per day of sewage at the City of San Diego's Point Loma Treatment facility is estimated at \$860,000 per year.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE STATE BOARD:

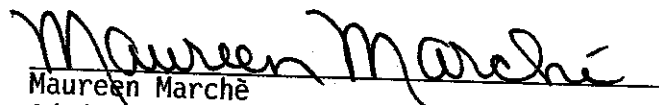
Approves the allocation of \$860,000 from the Cleanup and Abatement Account to the City of San Diego with the following conditions:

1. Such funds are intended as one-time-only funding to cover only the incremental costs to the City for the analysis, transport, treatment and disposal of diverted raw sewage flows from the Tijuana River.
2. Such action by the State Board does not in any way relieve the City of complying with discharge permits issued by the Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region.

3. The State Board will ask the City of San Diego, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the International Boundary and Water Commission to provide quarterly progress reports on progress to secure additional operating funds until the proposed binational treatment plant and ocean outfall are operational.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Administrative Assistant to the Board, does hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted at the meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on March 21, 1991.

  
Maureen Marché  
Administrative Assistant to the Board

REQUEST FOR CLEANUP AND ABATEMENT FUNDS  
FROM THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

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APPLICANT AGENCY: State Water Resources Control Board

PROJECT TITLE: Tijuana River Diversion

Check One: New Project X  
Amendment       

Check One: Emergency         
Non-Emergency X

SUMMARY DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: Funds are needed to offset the additional costs to be incurred by the City of San Diego to analyze, transport, treat and dispose sewage flows diverted from the Tijuana River. The intent is to pay for the first year operating costs with the City and Federal agencies to provide additional operating funds until the binational treatment plant and ocean outfall are constructed and operational.

AMOUNT REQUESTED \$ 860,000.00  
PROJECT START DATE April 15, 1991  
PROJECT END DATE April 15, 1992  
CONTACT PERSON James Giannopoulos  
PHONE NUMBER 739-4318

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This portion to be filled by the State Board

AMOUNT APPROVED \$860,000.00

SWRCB INVOICE APPROVAL Wayne B. Brown  
(contact person)

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE *James W. Boyle*  
(Executive Director or Designee)

APPROVED DATE March 21, 1991

PROJECT NUMBER C/A 71 (assigned by Clean Water Programs)