STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 92-08

AUTHORIZATION TO OFFER A WATER RECLAMATION LOAN TO RAMONA MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT FOR THE SANTA MARIA WASTEWATER RECLAMATION FACILITY

WHEREAS:

- 1. The Clean Water Bond Law of 1984 and the Clean Water and Water Reclamation Bond Law of 1988 established the Water Reclamation Loan Program to provide financial assistance for the design and construction of cost-effective water reclamation projects:
- The Clean Water Bond Law of 1984 established the revolving Water Reclamation Account (Account) and provided \$25 million for loans. The repayments from these loans will be returned to the revolving Account;
- 3. The Bond Law of 1988 provided \$30 million for loans for water reclamation projects. An additional \$10 million from the Clean Water Bond Guarantee Fund has been authorized for reclamation project loans. The repayments of these loans will be returned to the State General Fund;
- 4. A loan application was submitted by the Ramona Municipal Water District and the Division of Clean Water Programs has reviewed the application, planning documents and other supporting information for the Santa Maria Water Reclamation Facility. The Division has determined that the submitted documents comply with the Water Reclamation Loan Program Guidelines; and
- 5. The information contained in the Santa Maria Wastewater Reclamation Facility Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) (State Clearinghouse No. 88112022) has been reviewed and considered, and:
 - a. Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the project which avoid or substantially lessen the potentially significant environmental impacts identified in the EIR with respect to disturbance of burrowing owls and other sensitive predatory birds and loss of or damage to archaeological sites. These impacts will be mitigated by restricting spray irrigation in predatory bird habitat and archaeological site areas and by recording archaeological sites that cannot be avoided.
 - b. With respect to the other potentially significant environmental impacts identified in the EIR, appropriate changes or alterations are within the responsibility and jurisdiction of other public agencies and such other changes or alterations have been adopted or can and should be adopted by such other agencies.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE STATE BOARD:

Authorizes a loan to Ramona Municipal Water District for the estimated amount of \$4.9 million, with a repayment period of twenty (20) years beginning on the date of the 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 January 23, 1992.

Maureen Marché

Administrative Assistant to the Board