# STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 80- 9

## SUPPORTING ADOPTION OF THE PARKLANDS AND RENEWABLE RESOURCES BOND ISSUE

#### WHEREAS:

- 1. Programs that renew limited natural resources and will enhance the health, welfare, and economy of the people of California are desirable;
- 2. In 1969 the Legislature expressed the need for water reclamation by enactment of Water Code Sections 13510-13512;
- 3. In 1977 the Governor issued Executive Order B-36-77 calling for the tripling of reclaimed water use by 1982;
- 4. Many reclamation projects will result in less water being transferred from one part of the state to another or will reduce groundwater overdraft;
- 5. Reclamation projects have a statewide benefit;
- 6. Reclamation projects may result in greater costs to the user and reclaimer than other alternative water supplies and wastewater treatment projects;
- 7. These greater costs should not become the sole responsibility of the local citizenry;
- 8. Presently there are 48 water reclamation projects in the planning phase under the Clean Water Construction Grant Program;
- 9. These projects have a potential to produce over 200,000 acre-feet per year;
- 10. Changes in federal law and regulations make continued 75% federal grant funding of reclamation projects doubtful;
- 11. Due to the impacts of Proposition 13, many public agencies will be unable to construct feasible and cost-effective reclamation projects absent state assistance;
- 12. The Parklands and Renewable Resources Bond Issue provides \$77 million for combined grants and loans to public agencies to aid in the construction and improvement of municipal wastewater reclamation projects which were not funded pursuant to Title II of the federal Clean Water Act and dual municipal water systems that would conserve or expand freshwater supplies;

- 13. Strict controls on development in the Lake Tahoe Basin are required to maintain the outstanding water quality of Lake Tahoe, as required by state and federal law;
- 14. A land purchase program is essential to making controls on development in the Lake Tahoe Basin both fair and effective;
- 15. The Parklands and Renewable Bond Issue provides \$25 million for land purchase in the Lake Tahoe Basin.

### THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That it is the official position of the State Water Resources Control Board that the Parklands and Renewable Resources Bond Issue (Proposition 1 on the June 1980 State Ballot) should be adopted by the people of this State.

- 1. To provide State funds for assistance to public agencies in construction of Reclamation projects.
- 2. To provide State funds for a land purchase program to provide protection of the water quality in Lake Tahoe.

#### CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Executive Director of the State Water Resources Control 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 February 21, 1980.

Clint Whitney

Executive Director