STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 93-27

APPROVAL TO AWARD A SMALL COMMUNITY GRANT TO GERBER/LAS FLORES COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

WHEREAS:

- Gerber/Las Flores Community Services District has requested grant funds for the construction of wastewater treatment works to serve the community of Las Flores as provided by the Clean Water and Water Reclamation Bond Law of 1988;
- The Gerber/Las Flores Community Services District has been included on the State Water Board's Small Community Grant Program funding priority list for Fiscal Year 1993;
- 3. The community of Las Flores has a permanent population of 189, and the median household income was \$15,250 in 1990;
- 4. The existing community of Las Flores is restricted from growth under a Tehama County Board building moratorium Ordinance No. 1493 due to suspected onsite sewage disposal problems;
- 5. The Division of Clean Water Programs has issued concept approval and approved the Final Feasibility Report which recommends a collection system for the community of Las Flores and an expansion of the existing waste water treatment facility to account for Las Flores flow;
- 6. The information contained in the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) (State Clearinghouse No. 92103003) prepared for the project, has been reviewed and considered and it has been determined that:
 - (a) Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the project which avoid or substantially lessen other potentially significant environmental impacts identified in the EIR with respect to the following aspects of the project: (i) erosion impacts will be mitigated by requiring the development of an erosion control plan; (ii) impacts to cultural resources will be mitigated by stopping construction if cultural resources are encountered and using a qualified archeologist to identify areas to avoid, evaluate sites, and develop mitigation programs; and (iii) if paleontological resources are discovered, they will be mitigated by halting construction until a qualified paleontologist can develop a plan for the identification, cataloging, curation, and storage of material collected.
 - (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. Such other changes or alterations have been adopted or can and should be adopted by such other agencies.

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- 7. The project is considered a "high cost project" with a total estimated project cost of \$1.41 million corresponding to a per household (existing plus proposed connection to the system) capital cost of \$16,590;
- 8. The proposed project's estimated per household user charge (including debt service) between \$15 and \$17 a month exceeds the \$11.50 a month guideline (for an annual median household income of \$15,250) established in the Implementation Policy as a criteria for determining project affordability;
- 9. In accordance with the State Water Board's Implementation Policy for the Small Community Grant Program, the estimated grant amount for the Gerber/Las Flores Community Services District is \$1,276,000.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Despite the Project's high cost, the Project has received local user support and the State Water Board hereby approves continued grant funding for the Gerber/Las Flores Community Services District for design and construction of the wastewater system improvements in Las Flores.

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 March 18, 1993.

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