

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD  
RESOLUTION NO. 94-37

REQUEST FOR A WAIVER OF STATE WATER BOARD POLICY FOR  
DRAFT REVENUE PROGRAM APPROVAL, AND CONSIDERATION OF A STATE REVOLVING FUND  
LOAN FOR THE WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNTY REGIONAL WASTEWATER AUTHORITY --  
REGIONAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM; SRF PROJECT NO. C-06-4029-120

WHEREAS:

1. The State Water Board on August 18, 1988, adopted the "Policy for Implementing the State Revolving Fund for the Construction of Wastewater Treatment Facilities" (Policy), and amended it on September 20, 1990, January 21, 1993, and September 23, 1993;
2. The State Water Board on September 23, 1993, adopted the Federal Fiscal Year 1994 State Revolving Fund Loan Program Priority List which includes the Western Riverside County Regional Wastewater Authority (WRCRWA) for the construction of the Regional Wastewater Treatment Facilities;
3. The Division of Clean Water Programs (Division) has reviewed the facilities plan and finds that it does not meet the requirements of the Policy for draft revenue programs;
4. The WRCRWA has requested the State Water Board waive its Policy requirement for approval of draft revenue programs prior to facility plan approval, and State Water Board approval;
5. The WRCRWA has requested the State Water Board approve a loan for their project;
6. The participation of the City of Corona in the regional treatment system represents a substantial percentage of the project (forty percent);
7. The proposed regional system may not be a cost-effective project alternative without the participation of Corona, and the SRF program cannot fund projects which are not cost-effective;
8. Waiver of the SRF Policy's draft revenue program requirement could give the WRCRWA an advantage over other projects competing for remaining SRF funds;
9. The WRCRWA adopted a Supplemental EIR (State Clearinghouse No. 92101058) and is using a previous EIR and Supplemental EIR's (State Clearinghouse No. 87042712) prepared by the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, which have been reviewed and considered by the State Water Board, and we have determined that:

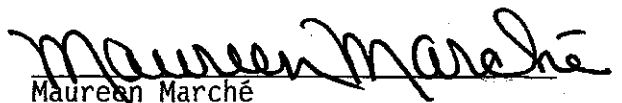
- (a) Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the proposed project which avoid or substantially lessen the potentially significant environmental effects identified in the environmental documents with respect to the following aspects of the project: (i) erosion impacts at the plant site will be mitigated by timely seeding and revegetation of graded slopes, and (ii) impacts associated with runoff at the plant site will be mitigated by implementing a properly designed storm drain system.
- (b) With respect to other potentially significant environmental impacts identified in the environmental documents, appropriate changes or alterations are within the responsibility and jurisdiction of other public agencies. Such other changes or alterations have been adopted or should be adopted by such other agencies; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE STATE WATER BOARD:

1. Upholds its draft revenue program requirements as contained in Section VII(C) of the Policy, and requires an approved draft revenue program prior to facility plan approval by the Division; and
2. Denies SRF loan funding for the Western Riverside County Regional Wastewater Authority for construction of the proposed Western Riverside Regional Treatment Plant until a draft revenue program for the entire system is submitted and approved. The Western Riverside County Regional Wastewater Authority may be approved for SRF loans for the proposed regional plant when all other SRF Policy requirements have been met.

#### 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 April 21, 1994.

  
Maureen Marché  
Administrative Assistant to the Board