STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 84-16

APPROVING NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR ROCK CREEK HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT, WATER RIGHT APPLICATIONS 26380 AND 27353

WHEREAS:

- 1. The applicant proposes to construct facilities for diversion of up to 240 cubic feet per second by gravity flow from Rock Creek via a 72-inch concrete pipe and a 3,200-foot long, 9-foot diameter horseshoe tunnel. The water will be used for power purposes then returned to the South Fork American River at its confluence with Rock Creek in the SW4 of SW4, Section 20, T11N, R11E, MDB&M.
- 2. Applicant has filed Applications 26380 and 27353 to appropriate water from Rock Creek, which is tributary to the South Fork American River.
- 3. The Board as lead agency has prepared a mitigated Negative Declaration for the applicant's project.
- 4. The Negative Declaration was circulated for public review in accordance with Title 23 of the California Administrative Code, Sections 15072 and 15073, and one comment was received.
- 5. The Board has considered the proposed Negative Declaration, the initial study, the comment received during the public review process, and the staff's response by letter to the comment.
- 6. Based on the initial study, the proposed Negative Declaration, and the comment received during the public review process, the Board finds that there is no substantial evidence that the project as mitigated will have a significant effect on the environment.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Resources Control Board approves the Negative Declaration.

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 16, 1984.

Michael À. Campos Executive Director