

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 88 - 130

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 2875 - SATISFACTION OF REQUIREMENT TO
REVIEW AND CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OR FINDINGS OF ANY
FEDERAL- OR STATE-FUNDED STUDIES, REPORTS, OR RESEARCH
PERTAINING TO AGRICULTURAL DRAINAGE WATER MANAGEMENT UNITS

WHEREAS:

1. Seven local agencies have submitted applications to the Agricultural Drainage Water Management Loan Program, namely: United Water Conservation District, Gustine Drainage District, Tulare Lake Drainage District, Imperial Irrigation District, City of Redlands, Reclamation District No. 999, and Westlands Water District.
2. Assembly Bill No. 2875 requires the Board, at a regularly-scheduled hearing held at least 30 days prior to making any loans to the seven agencies, to review and consider the recommendations or findings of any federal- or state-funded studies, reports, or research pertaining to agricultural drainage water management units which have been submitted to, and which have been determined to be relevant by, the Board.
3. A public hearing was held at a regularly scheduled Board meeting on December 8, 1988 in which Board staff reviewed and considered all relevant studies and reports which had been submitted to the Board pertaining to agricultural drainage water management units.
4. Review of documents submitted to Board staff supports the Board's previous decision to provide loan funding to the seven applicants.
5. The environmental impacts of the seven projects have been considered in the Environmental Impact Reports and in the Waste Discharge Requirements issued by the Regional Boards.
6. Concerns have been raised regarding the safety of wildlife at the Tulare Lake Drainage District project site.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE STATE BOARD:

1. Has satisfied the requirement of Assembly Bill No. 2875 to review and consider the findings of relevant federal- and state-funded studies, reports, and research pertaining to agricultural drainage water management units.
2. Reconfirms State Board Resolution Numbers 88-44 and 88-91 authorizing loan funding under the Agricultural Drainage Water Management Loan Program to United Water Conservation District, Gustine Drainage District, Tulare Lake Drainage District, Imperial Irrigation District, City of Redlands, Reclamation District No. 999, and Westlands Water District.


3. Places the following loan condition on Tulare Lake Drainage District:

Construction of project facilities shall not begin until new Waste Discharge Requirements are issued by the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board.

4. Authorizes the Executive Director or his designee to execute for and on behalf of the State Board, contracts and amendments thereto with the seven agencies for loans under the Water Conservation and Water Quality Bond Law of 1986, and to perform all acts and do all things necessary to implement such contracts.

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 the meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on December 15, 1988.


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