STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 91-83

AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO A CONTRACT BETWEEN
THE ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT (DISTRICT) AND
THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD (STATE BOARD)
TO PROVIDE RESOURCES TO ASSIST THE
CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD,
SANTA ANA REGION (REGIONAL BOARD) STAFF
WITH INVESTIGATION AND CLEANUP AND ABATEMENT
OF GROUND WATER CONTAMINANTS AND POLLUTANTS WITHIN THE
LOWER SANTA ANA RIVER GROUND WATER BASIN AND
THE LOWER CHINO GROUND WATER BASIN

WHEREAS:

- 1. The State Board and the District are currently under contract for the District to fund two Regional Board staff positions for a period of two years to work on ground water investigation and cleanup and abatement projects.
- 2. This contract expires on October 2, 1991, and the District has offered to extend this contract for an additional two years.
- 3. The only changes that would be made to the existing contract are adding funds and extending the term of the contract.
- 4. The District and the Regional Board share common goals in maintaining, protecting, and enhancing the quality of the basins.
- 5. A Memorandum of Understanding exists between the District and the Regional Board for the purpose of establishing a cooperative and coordinated framework for the investigation and cleanup and abatement of ground water contaminants and pollutants within the basins and the boundaries of the District.
- 6. The Lower Chino Ground Water Basin is polluted with high concentrations of total dissolved solids (TDS) and nitrate. The Lower Santa Ana Ground Water Basin is polluted with hazardous materials.
- 7. The time available to Regional Board staff to investigate and direct cleanup of hazardous material discharges within the Lower Santa Ana River Ground Water Basin and to investigate and abate the impacts of TDS and nitrates in the Lower Chino Ground Water Basin is limited by available budgeted resources.
- 8. Protection and enhancement of the quality of the basins is partially dependent on the level of Regional Board staff resources dedicated to this task.

 Augmenting existing Regional Board staff resources dedicated to protection and enhancing the quality of the basins will benefit the people of the State of California and the residents and water users within the boundaries of the District.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the State Board:

- 1. Authorizes the Executive Director to amend the existing contract with the District, to extend the term of the contract two years, and to increase contract funding in an amount not to exceed \$371,471.
- Directs that the staff positions resulting from these resources will continue to be totally under the direction of the Regional Board.
- 3. Requests the Regional Board to provide a report to the State Board upon completion of the contract period which identifies the benefits of this effort.

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 September 26, 1991.

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Administrative Assistant to the Board