

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 93-119

RECONSIDERATION OF STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDING OF HIGH
COST PROJECT AND REQUEST FOR RE-EVALUATION OF REGIONAL
AND LOCAL REQUIREMENTS AND ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS
NEVADA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SANITATION CASCADE SHORES
WASTEWATER PROJECT, SMALL COMMUNITY GRANT NO. SCG-150
AND STATE REVOLVING FUND LOAN NO. C-06-4030-110

WHEREAS:

1. The State Water Board on August 20, 1992, approved a Small Community Grant of \$1.47 million for the Nevada County Department of Sanitation on behalf of the Cascade Shores subdivision for construction of sewer improvements;
2. The State Water Board on July 22, 1993, also approved a State Revolving Fund Loan of \$275,000 to finance the local share of the project costs;
3. The bids for the proposed project were opened on October 15, 1993, and the low bid for the proposed improvements is 118 percent higher than the engineer's estimate;
4. The user charges based on the new project costs are a minimum of \$74 per month if the area develops to full buildout;
5. The user charges could increase to as high as \$117 per month if buildout of the service area does not occur;
6. As a guideline, the Small Community Grant Policy pursuant to a statewide survey of sewer service rates recommends a monthly user charge of \$24 for an annual median income of \$24,000; and
7. Pursuant to the Small Community Grant Policy, if the State Water Board does not approve a proposed project because of high cost or unaffordability, it has the authority to ask the Regional Board and the local governing agency to re-examine their respective requirements and enforcement actions in public sessions in order to determine an affordable alternative project.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board requests a re-evaluation by the Sacramento Regional Water Quality Control Board of their requirements, and by the Nevada County Department of Sanitation of their local enforcement actions in respective public sessions with the objective of determining a cost-effective and affordable solution for the water quality problem in the Cascade Shores subdivision.

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 November 18, 1993.


Maureen Marché
Administrative Assistant to the Board