

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD  
RESOLUTION NO. 2003 - 0004

AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF A \$1,800,000 LOAN CONTRACT AND  
AMENDMENTS FROM THE AGRICULTURAL DRAINAGE LOAN PROGRAM  
(ADLP) TO THE PANOCHE DRAINAGE DISTRICT (DISTRICT) FOR  
THE IRRIGATION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (PROJECT)

WHEREAS

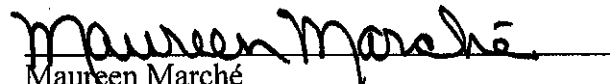
1. The District has requested an ADLP loan of \$1,800,000 for the Project.
2. The District will reduce agricultural drainage discharges to waters of the State by purchasing high efficiency irrigation equipment and leasing that equipment to growers converting furrow and siphon tube irrigation to sprinkler, gated pipe, and drip irrigation.
3. The Project will help meet water quality standards for selenium, boron, and salts in the San Joaquin River by reducing agricultural subsurface drainage and will contribute to conservation efforts in the San Joaquin Valley.
4. Monitoring will be conducted, and the water quality benefits resulting from project implementation will be assessed.
5. The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board's Regional Water Quality Control Plan recommends best management practices, consisting principally of water conservation measures, be implemented for the control of agricultural subsurface drainage.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

SWRCB authorizes issuance of a \$1,800,000 loan contract and amendments from the ADLP to the District for the Project, providing that the loan to the District will be conditioned upon the fulfillment of all California Environmental Quality Act requirements that pertain to the project.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Clerk 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 January 22, 2003.

  
Maureen Marché  
Clerk to the Board