RESOLUTION NO. 96-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE RANCHO MURIETA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT SELECTING THE PREFERRED WATER SUPPLY ALTERNATIVE AS PRESENTED IN THE AMERICAN RIVER WATER RESOURCES INVESTIGATION DRAFT

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT/ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT DATED JANUARY, 1996

WHEREAS, the Rancho Murieta Community Services District as a member of the Sacramento Metropolitan Water Authority has advocated the construction of a multipurpose dam at Auburn; and

WHEREAS, a multipurpose dam at Auburn is currently a federally authorized project, but needs further legislation to proceed with construction; and

WHEREAS, Rancho Murieta Community Services District, as a member of the Sacramento Metropolitan Water Authority recognized that a detailed evaluation of the regional water needs and resources was necessary to demonstrate that additional water resources would be needed to meet future demands, thereby agreed to participate, in cooperation with other regional water interests, in the American River Water Resources Investigation (ARWRI); and

WHEREAS, the draft ARWRI EIR/EIS clearly delineates a need for an additional demand, within the study area, of over 500,000 acre-feet per year for the year 2030; and

WHEREAS, the findings in the ARWRI EIR/EIS are consistent with the State of California Department of Water Resources Bulletin 160 which predicts, on a state-wide basis, an annual water shortfall ranging from 4 million acre-feet to 9 million acre-feet within the next 30 years; and

WHEREAS, the Rancho Murieta Community Services District continues to support a flood control facility, on the American River, that will provide the greatest flood protection for the Sacramento metroplex commensurate with its population and infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the Rancho Murieta Community Services District also recognizes that certain additional studies and permits, both federal and state, will be necessary before a final decision can be made regarding the construction of a multipurpose dam at Auburn; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Rancho Murieta Community Services District and other proponents of a multipurpose dam, that the portion of such a facility allocated to water supply and to power be financed and constructed without federal appropriations; and

WHEREAS, the Rancho Murieta Community Services District has adopted Resolution No. 1995-5, stating that after analysis of costs vers benefits, it will cooperate with all federal, state and local water interests to promote, support and fund, in proportion to the benefit that the District receives, the expansion of a flood control project at Auburn into a multipurpose project through necessary engineering studies, federal and/or state legislation, Joint Powers Agreements, and/or contracts; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rancho Murieta Community Services District requests that the ARWRI Executive Coordinating Committee select as the "Locally Preferred Alternative" the Auburn Dam Alternative.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 17th day of March, 1996 by the following roll call:

AYES: Directors: The

Thurston, Lensch, Stevens, Menicucci

NOES:

ABSENT:

Director Sevier

ABSTAIN:

John R. Thurston, President

Board of Directors

ATTEST

Secretary of the Board of Directors

Rancho Murieta Community Services District