

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 2001 - 103

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR DESIGNEE
TO NEGOTIATE, EXECUTE, AND AMEND CONTRACTS
WITH THE SANTA ANA WATERSHED PROJECT AUTHORITY
TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE ARUNDO REMOVAL
PROGRAM PROJECT FROM THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
INTEGRATED WATERSHED PROGRAM ESTABLISHED IN THE
COSTA-MACHADO WATER ACT OF 2000 (2000 BOND ACT)

WHEREAS:

1. The 2000 Bond Act authorized \$235 million for the Southern California Integrated Watershed Program (SCIWP) for projects to rehabilitate and improve the Santa Ana River watershed.
2. On January 25, 2001, the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) and Santa Ana River Watershed Project Authority (SAWPA) executed a local program management and administration contract that includes selection, funding, and management of projects in SCIWP.
3. The Arundo Removal Program for the Santa Ana River Project is consistent with the SCIWP goals of developing regional programs to address problems facing the watershed, to enhance native habitat along the Santa Ana River and its tributaries, and to improve water use efficiency.
4. Staff concurs with the categorical exemption filed with the Orange County Clerk Recorder based on Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations, Chapter 3, Article 19, Section 15307 Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of Natural Resources for the Arundo Removal Program for the Santa Ana River watershed.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

That the SWRCB authorizes the Executive Director or designee to negotiate, amend, and execute contracts with SAWPA for funding the Arundo Removal Program for the Santa Ana River Watershed for a total of \$20,045,000 from SCIWP.

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 September 20, 2001.

/s/
Maureen Marché
Clerk to the Board