## STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2006-0027

AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF A \$4 MILLION INSTALLMENT SALES AGREEMENT (ISA) CONTRACT AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FROM THE AGRICULTURAL DRAINAGE MANAGEMENT LOAN PROGRAM (ADMLP) TO THE PANOCHE IRRIGATION DISTRICT (DISTRICT) FORAN IRRIGATION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (PROJECT)

## WHEREAS:

- 1. The Project is eligible for funding under the Safe, Clean, Reliable Water Supply Act of 1996;
- 2. The District will reduce agricultural drainage discharges to waters of the State through the Project by purchasing high efficiency irrigation equipment and leasing that equipment to growers, converting furrow and siphon tube irrigation to micron sprinkler, gated pipe, and drip irrigation, all with tailwater recycling systems;
- 3. The Project will help meet water quality objectives for sediment and other constituents of concern in the San Joaquin River by reducing agricultural drainage and will contribute to water conservation efforts in the San Joaquin Valley;
- 4. Water Quality Monitoring will be conducted and the benefits resulting from implementing the Project will be assessed;
- The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board's (Central Valley Water Board) Water Quality Control Plan, for the Sacramento and San Joaquin River Basins, recommends that best management practices, consisting principally of water conservation measures, be implemented for the control of agricultural drainage;
- 6. The District has demonstrated that an adequate opportunity for public participation regarding the ISA has been provided;
- 7. The Project will help the District to achieve compliance with the Central Valley Water Board's Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges from Irrigated Lands; and,
- 8. The District has prepared a Negative Declaration (State Clearinghouse No. 2005101096) for the Project, which has been reviewed and adopted with a determination that the Project will not result in any significant environmental impacts.

## THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) authorizes issuance of a \$4 million ISA contract and amendments from the ADMLP to the District for the Project contingent on CEQA compliance.

## 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 Board held on May 2, 2006.

- AYE: Tam M. Doduc Gerald D. Secundy Arthur G. Baggett
- NO: None
- ABSENT: None
- ABSTAIN: None

Song Her Clerk to the Board