# STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD Resolution No. 83-42

CERTIFICATION OF BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES TO REDUCE NONPOINT SOURCE AGRICULTURAL RUNOFF TO THE SAN JOAQUIN RIVER AND ITS TRIBUTARIES

#### WHEREAS:

- 1. The State Water Resources Control Board is responsible for the Statewide Section 208 Areawide Waste Treatment Management Planning Program in accordance with the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, and
- 2. The Board and EPA approved a workplan for the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board for the San Joaquin River Nonpoint Source Pollution Control project, and
- The project called for developing on-farm BMPs to control nonpoint source pollutants, and
- 4. A contract was prepared with CARCD to work with Regional Board staff and farm organizations to develop a handbook summarizing Best Management Practices and a technical manual describing and evaluating impacts of these practices on surface and ground water quality, and
- 5. A second contract was prepared with Ramlit Associates to conduct an independent assessment of Instream Beneficial Uses, evaluate agricultural nonpoint source pollutant impacts on those uses and develop a long-term monitoring program, and
- 6. A handbook "Farming and Water Quality: A Handbook for the Lower San Joaquin River Basin" was prepared to fulfill the requirements of these contracts, and
- 7. The State Board in May, 1983 informally approved the use of \$9,000 in unspent CARCD contract funds by the Central Valley Regional Board to print the handbook "Farming and Water Quality: A Handbook for the Lower San Joaquin River Basin".
- 8. The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board approved this report and the technical manual at their May 27, 1983, meeting.
- The State Board has reviewed the Handbook and technical manuals and finds that the Central Valley Regional Board completed its workplan objectives for this project.

## THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

## That the State Board:

1. Certifies the handbook, "Farming and Water Quality: A Handbook for the Lower San Joaquin River Basin", as part of the State's water quality management plan, and

- 2. Approves the handbook "Farming and Water Quality: A Handbook for the Lower San Joaquin River Basin" as completing the contract work for CARCD as well as Ramlit Associates Inc. and completing the San Joaquin River Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Project in accordance with the project workplan approved by EPA, and
- 3. Authorizes the Division of Administrative Services to pay the final invoices for CARCD and Ramlit Associates, and
- 4. Ratifies the use of \$9,000 of unspent CARCD contract funds by the Central Valley Regional Board for printing the handbook "Farming and Water Quality: A Handbook for the Lower San Joaquin River Basin," and
- 5. Directs staff to transmit the handbook to EPA for review and approval.
- 6. Requests that the Regional Board submit a progress report by July 1, 1984 describing Regional Board and Farmer organization efforts to distribute handbook information and describing and evaluating BMP implementation by farmers.

#### CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Executive Director of the State Water Resources Control 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 June 16, 1983.

Clint Whitney Executive Director