RESOLUTION NO. 99-06

A RESOLUTION OF THE CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER SUPPORTING THE MARCH 2000 WATER BOND INITIATIVE INCLUDING PROJECTS IN THE SANTA ANA RIVER WATERSHED

WHEREAS, a safe, clean and reliable water supply is critical to California's agricultural, commercial, industrial, economic and environmental future; and

WHEREAS, Southern California's dependence on imported water supplies, especially during times of drought, burdens both the economy and the environment and, in order for Southern California to implement programs to become self sufficient during droughts, financial assistance is necessary; and

WHEREAS, programs are being developed for underground water storage and environmental restoration in the Southern California region that is home to nearly 20% of the State's population; and

WHEREAS, these programs will increase the water supply so the region will become self sufficient during droughts, by improving the quality, reliability and safety of the water supply, restoring habitat for native species, providing flood control, and creating new wetlands and open space in the region; and

WHEREAS, these programs benefit all of Southern California, and in the State by reducing dependence on imported water; and

WHEREAS, the California Legislature and the Governor should assure that safe, clean and reliable water is a priority for California by placing a Water Bond measure on the March 2000 ballot that will thus provide project funding for Southern California including the Santa Ana River Watershed; and

WHEREAS, on April 15, 1999, the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority (SAWPA) requested Chino Basin Watermaster support a Water Bond that provides significant funding for these programs in Southern California, specifically in the Santa Ana River Watershed; and

WHEREAS, Chino Basin Watermaster is currently mandated by the Court to develop an Optimum Basin Management Program (OBMP) for the Chino Basin; and

WHEREAS, the projects as proposed by SAWPA are consistent with adopted basin management plans and funding will be made available to the appropriate agencies to provide for these programs; and

WHEREAS, Chino Basin Watermaster encourages cooperative programs be developed among Southern California water agencies for the benefit of current and future generations residing in the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chino Basin Watermaster supports the March 2000 Water Bond Initiative proposed by SAWPA, as amended to incorporate suggested minor language changes, and encourages the State Legislature and the Governor to place a Water Bond on the March 2000 ballot to provide project funding to water agencies proposing projects to improve water quality, reliability and safety of water supply, restore habitat for native species, provide flood control and create new wetlands and open space in the region.

RESOLUTION NO. 99-06, APPROVED by the Chino Basin Watermaster Advisory Committee on the 13th day of May 1999, is hereby **ADOPTED** by the Chino Basin Watermaster Board on this 27th day of May 1999.

CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER BOARD

Robert Neufeld, Chairman

ATTEST:

Josephine Johnson, Secretary/Treasurer

Chino Basin Watermaster Board

APPROVED:

Robert Delbach, Chairman

Chind Basin Watermaster Advisory Committee

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO) SS)
Board, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that	, Secretary/Treasurer of the Chino Basin Watermaster the foregoing Resolution being No. 99-06, was adopted at a Vatermaster Board by the following vote:
AYES:	
NOES:	
ABSENT:	
ABSTAIN:	
	CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER BOARD

Josephine M. Johnson Secretary/Treasurer