RESOLUTION # 08-07

Resolution of the Fort Ord Reuse Authority)
Board of Directors in support of the Water)
for Monterey County project)

THIS RESOLUTION is adopted with reference to the following facts and circumstances:

WHEREAS, the Fort Ord Reuse Authority ("FORA") has been actively participating in the Division of Rate Payers Advocates, California Public Utilities Commission ("CPUC") sponsored regional water supply dialogue process. And that process, led by the Center for Integrated Water Research, University of California, Santa Cruz, has met monthly for almost two years with citizens, Non-Governmental Organizations, government agencies, consultants, and academics to develop a regional water plan. The regional plan has been formulated to benefit Cities and agricultural operators on the Monterey Peninsula and communities of northern Monterey County (including unincorporated areas of Monterey County, the United States Army, Marina, Seaside, Del Rey Oaks, Monterey, Carmel-by-the-Sea, Pacific Grove, Sand City, and Salinas); and

WHEREAS, the regional projects and water management programs from the regional dialogue appear to be cost effective for ratepayers, have great regional benefit and result in an acceptable implementation strategy; and

WHEREAS, the regional plan has demonstrated viability and value in moving ahead for technical evaluation; and

WHEREAS, in order to meet the needs of the communities and to save planning funds, the local agencies are coordinating with the CPUC Environmental Impact Report now being processed for the Coastal Water Project; and

WHEREAS, FORA recognizes that the water supply issues confronting the Monterey region are significant and require a focused technical and political effort to resolve; and

WHEREAS, there is an urgency to identify, adequately plan, and effectively implement a water resource supply solution; and

WHEREAS, all political and quasi-political entities within Monterey County should engage in water supply planning and jointly analyze the proposed project; and

WHEREAS, such collaboration provides the most practical method to expeditiously create a leadership and management framework responsible for developing and implementing a strategy to comprehensively achieve regional water supply solutions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the FORA Board of Directors that:

1. FORA supports the technical planning, implementation strategy, and public outreach of the Water for Monterey County plan to meet the long-term water supply needs through publicly-owned sub-regional project(s), regional desalination project(s) or other

regional public project(s), of the Monterey Peninsula and the communities of northern Monterey County (including unincorporated areas of Monterey County, the United States Army, Marina, Seaside, Del Rey Oaks, Monterey, Carmel-by-the-Sea, Pacific Grove, Sand City, and Salinas); and

- 2. FORA will actively engage other Monterey County governmental and quasi-governmental agencies to follow through with the steps necessary for the successful planning and public outreach and information processes to assure successful implementation of a regional plan with all due haste; and
- 3. FORA supports the Water for Monterey County Coalition as a planning program that could ensure a safe, reliable, and environmentally sustainable regional water supply.

Upon motion by Mayor Rubio, seconded by Councilmember Mancini, the foregoing resolution was passed on this 14th day of November 2008, by the following vote:

AYES:

10 Directors Russell, Rubio, McCloud, Wilmot, Calcagno, Davis,

Mancini, Pendergrass, Mettee-McCutchon, and Della Sala

NOES: -0-

ABSTENTIONS: -0-ABSENT: 3

3 Directors McCall, Potter and Barnes

I, Mayor Joseph P. Russell, Chair of the Board of Directors of the Fort Ord Reuse Authority of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original order of the said Board of Directors duly made and entered under Item 7a(2), pages 2 and 3, of the board meeting minutes of November 14, 2008, thereof, which are kept in the Minute Book resident in the offices of the Fort Ord Reuse Authority.

Date 11/21/08

Joseph Russell, Chair, Board of Directors

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