

RESOLUTION NO. 878

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA ACCEPTING THE SANTA ROSA SUBREGIONAL WATER REUSE SYSTEM INCREMENTAL RECYCLED WATER PROGRAM DISCHARGE COMPLIANCE PROJECT DRAFT SCREENING REPORT AND CONFIRMING THE IDENTIFICATION OF ALTERNATIVES TO BE EVALUATED IN THE PROJECT EIR

WHEREAS, in March 2004, the Board of Public Utilities and City Council adopted the Incremental Recycled Water Program Master Plan to provide for continued discharge capacity for the Subregional Water Reuse System; and

WHEREAS, in June of 2005, the Board of Public Utilities and City Council undertook the Discharge Compliance Project to provide future recycled water disposal capacity; and

WHEREAS, in March of 2006, the Board of Public Utilities adopted a Purpose and Need Statement for the Discharge Compliance Project; and

WHEREAS, in January and March of 2006, the Board of Public Utilities adopted Siting Criteria for direct and indirect discharge alternatives; and

WHEREAS, in June of 2006, the City Council adopted a Purpose and Need Statement for the Discharge Compliance Project; and

WHEREAS, in July of 2006, the Board of Public Utilities accepted the Draft Engineering Report and authorized preparation and distribution of a Notice of Preparation based upon the description of the project and alternatives in the Draft Engineering Report; and

WHEREAS, on August 1, 2006, a Notice of Preparation was sent to responsible and trustee agencies notifying them of the preparation of the Discharge Compliance Project EIR and requesting their comments; and

WHEREAS, on August 29 and 30, 2006, duly noticed scoping meetings were held at the Healdsburg City Hall and the Finley Center in Santa Rosa; and

WHEREAS, 17 letters from agencies and 234 letters from members of the public have been received, and oral comments were made by 41 individuals during the scoping period which was open until September 13, 2006; and

WHEREAS, on November 16, 2006, a Draft Screening Report was published, which evaluates potential discharge alternatives, including all those suggested in the scoping process to be studied in the Discharge Compliance Project EIR; and

WHEREAS, a copy of “Exhibit A”, entitled Summary of Screening Evaluation is attached.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Public Utilities of the City of Santa Rosa:

1. Accepts the Discharge Compliance Project Draft Screening Report; and
2. Directs that the discharge alternatives identified in the Draft Screening Report be evaluated in the Discharge Compliance Project EIR; and
3. Directs that a supplement to the Notice of Preparation including the changes to alternatives be sent to responsible and interested agencies and that scoping be re-opened to solicit public involvement in the changes.
4. Requests the concurrence of the Council in its decision.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED by the City of Santa Rosa Board of Public Utilities this 5th day of December, 2006.

AYES: (6) Dowd, Lowe, Bolten, Dean, Lindsay and Galvin

NOES: (0)

ABSENT: (1) Downey

ABSTAIN: (0)