

RESOLUTION NO. 775 RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF WINDSOR TO ALLOW THE CITY TO USE TOWN'S RECYCLED STORAGE PONDS FOR REPAIR OR MAINTENANCE OF THE GEYSERS PIPELINE AND TO ALLOW TOWN TO USE THE GEYSERS PIPELINE FOR THE TRANSPORT OF UP TO 100 MILLION GALLONS PER YEAR OF TOWN'S RECYCLED WATER FOR IRRIGATION OF AGRICULTURAL LANDS

WHEREAS, the Town of Windsor (Town) and the City of Santa Rosa (City) desire to cooperate in the beneficial use of recycled water for urban and agricultural reuse; and

WHEREAS, City has constructed the Geysers Recharge Project in order to deliver recycled water to the Geysers steamfields; and

WHEREAS, a portion of the pipeline installed within the Town limits and continuing north on East Side Road to Old Redwood Highway presents an opportunity to transport and deliver the Town's recycled water to irrigate agricultural lands; and

WHEREAS, City desires to use Town's recycled water storage ponds when needed for de-watering the Geysers pipeline in order to perform maintenance on the pipelines and during emergencies;

WHEREAS, a cooperative agreement has been developed that would meet both the Town's and City's needs and is attached as Exhibit "A".

WHEREAS, the Town of Windsor Water Reclamation Master Plan for Treatment Storage and Disposal Environmental Impact Report (Windsor EIR) has been prepared and certified by the Town on February 7, 2001, and the Windsor EIR evaluates and identifies the environmental impacts of agricultural irrigation that will be facilitated by use of the Geysers pipeline;

WHEREAS, an Addendum to the Santa Rosa Long-Term Subregional Wastewater Project EIR (Geysers 2003 Addendum) has been prepared and certified on November 20, 2003, and the Geysers 2003 Addendum evaluates and reports the environmental impacts of using Town pond for dewatering of the Geysers pipeline during maintenance;

WHEREAS, City, as a Responsible Agency under CEQA, must make mitigation findings pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15091 and 15096;

WHEREAS, the mitigation measures identified in the Windsor EIR are the sole responsibility of Town and have been adopted by Town on March 7, 2001 in their Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, and no mitigation measures are identified or required in the Geysers 2003 Addendum;

WHEREAS, the Santa Rosa Board of Public Utilities has reviewed and considered the environmental impacts of this Agreement as set forth in the Windsor EIR and Geysers 2003 Addendum;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Public Utilities approves the agreement between City and Town attached is Exhibit "A" hereto

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Public Utilities hereby adopts the Mitigation Findings set forth in attached Exhibit "B".

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED by the City of Santa Rosa Board of Public Utilities this 4th day of December, 2003.