

## RESOLUTION NO. 749

## RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES APPROVING A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE FUNDING AND RESOURCES FOR DEVELOPMENT OF A RUSSIAN RIVER BASIN MIXING ZONE POLICY

WHEREAS, in December of 2000 the Board and City Council undertook the Incremental Recycled Water Program (IRWP) to provide future recycled water treatment, reuse and disposal capacity; and

WHEREAS, the Board is committed to maintaining the region's high-quality natural environment; and

WHEREAS; the Board has long been a partner with the Regional Water Quality Control Board in studying and taking action to address water quality issues of mutual concern;

WHEREAS, the *State Policy for Implementation of Toxics Standards for Inland Surface Waters, Enclosed Bays and Estuaries of California* establishes a procedure for the Regional Water Quality Control Board to determine effluent quality limits for the Laguna plant such that water quality objectives are attained and this procedure allows for consideration of dilution by each of the nine Regional Water Quality Control Boards when establishing effluent quality limits (mixing zones); and

WHEREAS, the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board has not yet developed a policy which provides for the consideration of mixing zones in this region and at present is without staff resources to develop such a policy; and

WHEREAS, a mixing zone policy is essential to the development of effluent quality limits; and

WHEREAS, on December 5, 2002, the Board expressed its intent to participate in a Mixing Zone Study in a letter to the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board; and

WHEREAS, other dischargers in the Russian River watershed have agreed to cooperate by providing funding and resources for the development of a mixing zone policy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Public Utilities directs the Chairman to execute the Cooperative Agreement To Provide Funding And Resources For Development of a Mixing Zone Policy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Public Utilities directs the Director of Administrative Services to fund and pay all proper claims from account No. 8537, "Incremental Recycled Water Program" up to the amount of \$520,500.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED by the City of Santa Rosa Board of Public Utilities this 17th day of July, 2003.

