



BOARD POLICY: WARM SPRINGS DAM POLICY STATEMENT
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RESOLUTION NO. 1083

POLICY STATEMENT OF NORTH MARIN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

ON

WARM SPRINGS DAM PROJECT

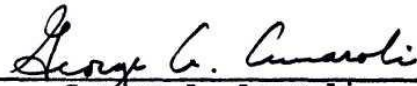
WHEREAS:

1. North Marin County Water District distributes potable water throughout its Novato service area to a current population of 42,000 people.
2. At least 70 percent of said water does now and is expected in the future to derive from diversions made on the lower Russian River by the Sonoma County Water Agency.
3. North Marin County Water District's contract with Sonoma County Water Agency provides for a maximum delivery of 10,000 acre-feet per annum developed and made available by Coyote Dam located on the upper Russian River.
4. Assuming the Novato area grows at the controlled growth rate of 500 housing units per year (current City policy), it is estimated said 10,000 acre-feet per annum will be completely used circa 1986.
5. It is reasonable to assume based on all projections available, that the Novato area will continue to grow beyond 1986 and hence require additional water.
6. Sonoma County Water Agency refuses to contract for additional supplies from Coyote Dam stating said supply is totally committed.
7. The Corps of Army Engineers is constructing Warm Springs Dam as a multi-purpose facility located on Dry Creek, a tributary to the Russian River, to provide flood control, water supply, recreation and other benefits.
8. An estimated \$33 million has already been spent on the project for all property acquisition and to relocate roads and in site preparation, and significant impacts associated with the dam construction have already been incurred.
9. Said project will make available 115,000 acre-feet per annum of water for municipal use, an amount now believed by North Marin County Water District to be excessive based on estimates of future water requirements within the foreseeable future.

10. Fish, wildlife and recreation needs in the Russian River can use substantial augmentation according to the California Department of Fish and Game.
11. Fish, wildlife and recreation needs in the Eel River are in desperate need of augmentation based on investigations conducted by the California Department of Water Resources.
12. Said fish, wildlife and recreation needs in both rivers could be accommodated by reducing the 115,000 acre-feet per annum Warm Springs water supply allocation and dedicating said reduced amount to in-stream fish, wildlife and recreation purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that North Marin County Water District:

- Endorses and urges continued and speedy construction of the Warm Springs Project, as presently designed, and
- Urges that the water supply allocation of 115,000 acre-feet per annum be substantially reduced and the amount of the reduction in allocation be dedicated instead to in-stream fish, wildlife and recreation purposes in the Russian River and/or the Eel River systems.



George A. Amaroli
President, Board of Directors
NORTH MARIN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

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I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted by the Board of Directors of North Marin County Water District at an adjourned regular meeting of said Board held on the 8th day of January, 1974, by the following vote:

AYES: Directors George A. Amaroli, Frank V. Baccaglio,
Franklin Gustafson and William W. Wright

*NOES: Director Patrick H. Heffernan

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

*Opposing vote cast in opposition to the entire project


Norma B. Morris, Secretary
North Marin County Water District

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