## **RESOLUTION 98-5**

## RESOLUTION OF ENDORSEMENT OF THE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE SAN BENITO COUNTY PART OF THE GILROY-HOLLISTER GROUNDWATER BASIN

WHEREAS, a Memorandum of Understanding executed in May 1997 by City of Hollister, City of San Juan Bautista, San Benito County Water District, Sunnyslope County Water District, and Tres Pinos County Water District and endorsed by Aromas Water District initiated a process for developing a policy level groundwater management plan for the San Benito County part of the Gilroy-Hollister groundwater basin, and

WHEREAS, an Agency Advisory Group (AAG) consisting of representative of the signatory agencies formed to guide the process and seek the active participation of other agencies, interest groups and the general public (including Granite Rock Company, San Benito County, San Benito County Builders and Developers Association, San Benito County Farm Bureau, Sierra Club, and others) and the participants met monthly from June 1997 to March 1998 to develop a groundwater management plan, and

WHEREAS, the AAG and other participants received technical information and advice from a technical advisory group and the consultant retained to prepare the plan document (Jones & Stokes Associates), and

WHEREAS, the AAG and other participants have completed a policy level groundwater management plan containing goals, objectives, and recommended groundwater management actions that are considered technically sound, reasonable, and acceptable to all of the planning process participants, and

WHEREAS, successful implementation of the plan will require ongoing oversight and interagency coordination, and a Groundwater Management Plan Oversight Group has been proposed for that purpose.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors that Sunnyslope County Water District endorses the goals and objectives of the groundwater management plan, recognizes the importance of the groundwater management issues identified in the plan, and pledges its active support of the Water Resources Association of San Benito County and the Association's efforts to refine and implement the groundwater management actions set forth in the groundwater plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Directors authorizes participation of Sunnyslope County Water District in the Water Resources Association of San Benito County, including formal membership.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is full, true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted and passed by the Board of Directors of the Sunnyslope County Water District, San Benito County, California, on the 9th day of April, 1998, by the following vote:

AYES: DIRECTORS - Nelson, Hailstone, R. Anderson & Fitch.

NOES: DIRECTORS - None

ABSENT: DIRECTORS - D. Anderson

SUNNYSLOPE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

Marchel Nelson, President

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

Bryan M. Yamaoka Secretary