

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BIG BEAR AREA REGIONAL
WASTEWATER AGENCY DECLARING ITS SUPPORT FOR USING
RECYCLED WATER IN AGRICULTURE**

WHEREAS, to help meet future needs and to help protect against water shortage, the State of California has identified recycled water as an important component of California's current and future water supply; and

WHEREAS, agricultural irrigation represents a significant portion of the developed water used in the State, and recycled water represents an opportunity for improved reliability of irrigation supply; and

WHEREAS, California laws, regulations, and procedures permit certain uses of recycled water, based on defined treatment levels, which are fully protective of human health and the environment; and

WHEREAS, recycled water providers must comply with specific levels of water quality and treatment, including processing and monitoring reliability features to continuously ensure that recycled water is safe; and

WHEREAS, as demonstrated by numerous filed studies, California's extensive and on-going experience indicates that irrigation of agricultural crops with disinfected tertiary recycled water meeting Chapter 3 of Division 4 of Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations can have application for fresh and unprocessed food crops; and

WHEREAS, agricultural use of recycled water requires public acceptance of its safety and recognition of its value which can be influenced and shaped by public opinion leaders;

THEREFORE, now be it resolved on this day, the Governing Board of the Big Bear Area Regional Wastewater Agency, endorses the use of recycled water for agriculture, and will cooperate to implement policies, attempt to secure funding, and educate the public to ensure the expanded use of recycled water in agriculture, to meet future water needs of the State of California, and to maintain public health, a healthy economy and a healthy environment.

Adopted this 24th day of March 1999.

Dick Morgan, Chairman of the
Governing Board, Big Bear Area
Regional Wastewater Agency

ATTEST:

Dr. Don Eads, Secretary of the Governing Board,
Big Bear Area Regional Wastewater Agency