BEFORE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE UPPER MOKELUMNE RIVER WATERSHED AUTHORITY

RESOLUTION 2010 - 1

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF A JOINT APPLICATION WITH THE NORTHEASTERN SAN JOAQUIN GROUNDWATER BANKING AUTHORITYTO THE INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT PLANNING GRANT PROGRAM AND EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

WHEREAS, organized in 2001, the Northeastern San Joaquin County Groundwater Banking Authority (Authority) has the primary goal to develop locally-supported groundwater projects that improve water supply reliability in Northeastern San Joaquin County and to provide benefits to project participants and San Joaquin County as a whole; and,

WHEREAS, in 2007, the Board of Directors of the Authority voted unanimously to adopt the Eastern San Joaquin Integrated Regional Water Management Plan; and,

WHEREAS, organized in 2000, the Upper Mokelumne River Watershed Authority (UMRWA) has the primary goal of preserving and enhancing Mokelumne River water supply, water quality, and the environment; and,

WHEREAS, the member agencies comprising the UMRWA are Alpine County Water Agency, Amador Water Agency, Calaveras County Water District, Calaveras Public Utility District, East Bay Municipal Utility District, Jackson Valley Irrigation District, and the Counties of Alpine, Amador and Calaveras; and,

WHEREAS, in 2006, the Mokelumne/Amador/Calaveras Region Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (M/A/C IRWMP) for the majority of the Mokelumne and Calaveras River Watersheds, Amador County, and parts of Alpine, Calaveras and San Joaquin Counties; and,

WHEARAS, both the Eastern San Joaquin IRWMP and the M/A/C IRWMP include joint chapters which identify the opportunities for inter-regional integration and partnership centered around the concept of an Inter-Regional Conjunctive Use Project concept; and,

WHEREAS, member agencies of the Authority and UMRWA continue to work collaboratively through the Mokelumne River Forum to further develop the concept of the Inter-Regional Conjunctive Use Project concept.

WHEREAS, in November 2006, Proposition 84: the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coast Protection Bond Act of 2006 passed by the vote of the people of California; and,

WHEREAS, the intent of the IRWM Planning Grant Program is to encourage integrated regional management of water resources and provide funding for projects that support integrated water management planning and implementation; and,

WHEREAS, grants are limited to a maximum of \$1 million per IRWM Planning Region for interregional planning activities with a 25% minimum funding match of the total project costs paid for with non-State funds; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Board of Directors of the Upper Mokelumne River Watershed Authority hereby:

- 1. Authorizes the submittal a Joint Inter-Regional Water Management Planning Grant application to the Department of Water Resources with the required match to be provided by non-State funds; and,
- 2. Authorizes the Executive Officer, upon the concurrence of Authority Counsel and on the condition there is no fiscal impact on UMRWA, to execute an agreement with the Department of Water Resources upon award of grant funds; and,
- 3. Upon completion of the IRWM interregional planning activities, this Board of Directors shall publicly notice in accordance with California Water Code, a notice of intention to adopt the updated Integrated Regional Water Management Plan and subsequent appropriate California Environmental Quality Act documentation.

PASSED AND ADOPTED: October 1, 2010 by unanimous 7 to 0 vote of the Board of Directors.

Rob Alcott

Rob Alcott, Executive Officer Upper Mokelumne River Watershed Authority