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## Resolution of

## The Board of Directors of The Fox Canyon

## Groundwater Management Agency

**DECLARING** A NEED FOR WATER CONSERVATION

WHEREAS, rainfall has been below normal for the past four years, causing reduced groundwater replenishment and increased groundwater extraction;

WHEREAS, reported extractions within the Agency reached a record high of 175,000 acre-feet in 1990.

WHEREAS, groundwater levels in portions of the coastal area have declined more than 60 feet in the past five years because of increased groundwater extractions;

WHEREAS, seawater intrusion has caused irreparable damage to the Oxnard aquifer zone and now affects an on land area of more than 22 square miles and constitutes one of the most serious water resource problems in the State of California;

WHEREAS, monitoring in 1990 for seawater intrusion in the Fox Canyon and Mugu aquifer zones has indicated the presence of highly saline groundwater, not previously discovered;

WHEREAS, it is absolutely necessary to improve the management of groundwater and prevent further overdrafting which is a threat to the public health, safety and welfare of the region; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that THEREFORE, the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency Board of Directors declare a need for all Cities to adopt an anti-waste ordinance if any portion of their water supply utilized groundwater extracted from within the Agency. The Board also urges all agricultural water users and suppliers to operate within the best management practices to achieve the most beneficial use of available water supplies.

PRESENTED THIS 26TH DAY OF APRIL, 1991.

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