

RESOLUTION NO. 219263

(R. 78-594)

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WHEREAS, the Pomerado County Water District originally requested the authorization of the City Council to increase its capacity allocation and transmission rights into the Penasquitos and Metropolitan Systems from an existing 2.0 million gallons per day (MGD) allocation to the full 4.0 MGD capacity of Pomerado's original tie-line; and

WHEREAS, the City Council in reviewing the Environmental Impact Report No. 76-04-18C and finding that the original request for the full 4.0 MGD capacity would accommodate significant expansion of growth at the periphery of the metropolitan area, thus restricting the opportunity to implement a cooperative regional growth management program, and substantially reduce its ultimate effectiveness; and

WHEREAS, many of the most significant adverse effects identified in said environmental impact report are unavoidably intertwined with the development of a cooperative regional growth management program, and therefore many of the corresponding mitigating measures are within the responsibility and jurisdiction of other public agencies, which can and should implement the appropriate mitigating changes or alternatives; and

WHEREAS, the current needs of the Poway community served by the Pomerado County Water District requires an immediate allocation to meet the needs of the existing sewage flow,

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consisting of, among other things, building permits already issued, plus building permits which legally must be issued and an allowance for failing septic tanks until a mutually agreeable growth management program can be developed; and

WHEREAS, the Council has determined that allocation of one-half of the original request, 1.0 MGD, will meet the immediate needs of the Poway community served by the Pomerado County Water District and that said reduction will mitigate the adverse effects identified in said environmental impact report; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego that the Council has agreed to authorize a 1.0 MGD increase in the Pomerado County Water District allocation and transmission rights, conditional on the findings of mitigation contained herein and upon the applicant's adherence to any and all future guidelines developed by the City and other public agencies, pursuant to a mutually agreeable growth management program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council finds that the conditional authorization of only a 1.0 MGD capacity allocation mitigates or alleviates the most significant effects of said project, in that those environmental effects related to population size will be minimized proportionately by the reduced capacity allocation, thereby decreasing the immediate and long-range environmental impacts identified in said environmental impact report, specifically:

1. Water. Developments presently being considered for areas of Penasquitos, Pomerado Valley, Rattlesnake and Poway Creek will receive careful review under current and proposed

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County guidelines which will ensure that downstream drainage capacities are not overtaxed during 10, 20 or 50 year floods. The current controls on Federal Loan Insurance will limit the potential for flooding by deterring any future development in the 100-year floodplains and where possible, the County Engineer's requirement for the use of energy dissipaters will keep runoff velocities at predevelopment levels. In addition the resolution recognizes that the most probable source of ultimate mitigation is the effective implementation of regional controls through the overall Planning Area process ("208 Planning Process"). Since the Comprehensive Planning Organization ("CPO") has been designated as the 208 Planning Area Agency for the San Diego Region, as a responsible agency it can and should take responsibility for the implementation of these mitigating measures.

2. Noise. The Environmental Impact Report identified the project's major impact on acoustical quality as being the form of traffic related noise; which in turn can be expected to rise as the population grows. Therefore, with the decreased capacity allocation and the accompanying reduction in potential growth, the anticipated ambient noise level will be proportionately reduced. The City recommends that proposed residential developments receive the benefit of noise analyses. The responsibility for said noise analyses rests with the County.

3. Air Quality. The Environmental Impact Report identified no direct effects on air quality resulting from approval of the project. The secondary effects of increased

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pollutant emissions were found to relate to increases in population size and as with all environmental effects related to population size; these effects will be minimized proportionately with the reduced potential growth. Moreover, since air pollution control strategies are very closely related to regional population size, the reduced capacity allocation will allow time for the responsible agencies to implement effective regional control measures. Such agencies include the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, the California Air Resources Board, the California Department of Transportation, CPO and the County of San Diego.

4. Plant and Animal Life. No significant adverse impact is foreseen because the population growth will now be less than that called for in the present community plan. Since the capacity allocation of 1.0 MGD is less than the amount requested the impact will be reduced allowing an even greater opportunity for the County to develop a natural buffer zone for wildlife.

5. Land Use. Authorization of the full capacity allocation requested would have initially resulted in, at least 3832 additional dwelling units and a population increase of 11,290. Moreover, the authorization of the full capacity allocation would have accommodated potential growth patterns capable of consuming more than the 1,600 acres already under development; potentially threatening 1,444 acres of "less environmentally sensitive" land. The City Council's authorization of a reduced capacity allocation substantially mitigates the

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impact which the full capacity allocation would have occasioned. With the curtailment of the requested capacity allocation the total number of dwelling units which can be developed has been reduced to 2486 which translates into a population equivalent of 7,000; a reduction of 4,290. This curtailment of potential growth should act to confine development to those areas already under development and should effectively preclude the expansion of development into those areas of "less environmentally sensitive" land.

6. Metropolitan Sewer System. Mitigation measures, in accordance with San Diego City Council Resolution No. 218891 and the alternatives discussed therein, will be pursued in an effort to improve and expand the regional wastewater systems in anticipation of population growth and other regional wastewater demands. The reduced capacity allocation proportionately minimizes any possible adverse secondary effects of this project. Moreover, any possible adverse secondary effects of a 1.0 MGD capacity allocation as they might effect the ability of the Metropolitan Sewer System to meet the possible future requirements of municipal wastewater treatment, are related to regional growth management and are not unique to this or any other development project.

7. Urban Support Systems. The authorization of only a 1.0 MGD capacity allocation mitigates any possible adverse impact, in that it strives towards compatibility with the alternative course of action outlined in the Interstate Highway 15 Task Force report. Specifically, the reduced

capacity allocation coupled with the County's limited moratorium affects a phasing of residential construction to proposed freeway and street improvements and subsequent growth management programs. This action recognizes the reality of the current stage of construction and of the health and safety needs of the Poway community. It limits the growth potential of those developments already underway and necessary, in such a manner so as to allow flexibility to the responsible agencies, in whose hands additional mitigation efforts must remain. The 1.0 MGD capacity allocation will permit the more coordinated development of a cooperative regional growth management program. This action avoids the disadvantages of a "no project" alternative and its severe social and economic dislocations discussed in the EIR. The local and regional economics, which are already under stress, with high levels of unemployment will not be adversely affected.

a. Energy. The anticipated growth of the Poway community by 1990 has been foreseen by the San Diego Gas & Electric Company. The reduced potential for growth, resulting from the 1.0 MGD capacity allocation is well within San Diego Gas & Electric's growth parameters for the area.

b. Telephone. The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company does not foresee any major problems in supplying future telephone service to the Poway community. With the reduced potential for growth, no additional mitigating measures are necessary.

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c. Police Protection. The San Diego County Sheriff's Office has indicated that it will, given adequate allocation of funds, be able to continue providing the necessary protection. The County is the responsible agency which can and should implement the appropriate mitigating measures.

d. Fire Protection. The two agencies responsible for fire protection in the Poway community, the Poway Municipal Water District and the State Department of Forestry, anticipate no unusual problems in meeting future needs.

e. Health Care. The Pomerado Hospital scheduled for completion by 1977, will serve the future health care needs of the Poway community without future expansion while relieving near-capacity conditions at Palomar Hospital.

f. Water. Because the Poway Municipal Water District has used the Poway Community Plan as a basis for its planning, no significant adverse impact on the capabilities of the District to provide water service is foreseen because the population growth will now be less than that called for in the Community Plan.

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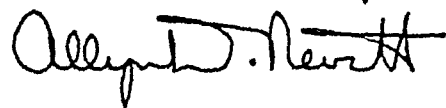
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