

**MENDOCINO COUNTY RUSSIAN RIVER FLOOD CONTROL
&
WATER CONSERVATION IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

POLICY #92-5

**A POLICY OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF MCRRFC & WCID
REGARDING AGRICULTURAL PONDS**

HAS BEEN AMENDED AND IT IS NOW THE POLICY OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF MCRRFC & WCID, FROM DATE OF AMENDMENT UNTIL CHANGED, AMENDED OR CANCELED:

That the Board recognizes the substantial environmental enhancements resulting from environmentally sensitive and legally approved and permitted dams, ponds, and off-site reservoirs being constructed on tributaries of the Russian River. Such enhancements might include native vegetation, riparian vegetation, fish and wildlife, migratory wildlife, and fire control. The Board further recognizes any additional water appropriations and/or storage facilities within the DISTRICT can be advantageous to the agriculture, the environment and the residential communities of the District.

The Board further recognizes that such dams, ponds, or off-site reservoirs must be constructed so as to have no adverse effects upon endangered species or anadromous fisheries of the Russian River.

Therefore, it is the Board's policy to support landowners in the development of legally approved and permitted off-site dams, ponds or reservoirs on tributaries of the Russian River, unless a particular project is deemed to be in violation of state law by the appropriate authorities of Federal or State law, other Board policy, or the public interest. Each project presented to the Board will be considered on its merits. No project which proposes to store or re-divert the District's water or appropriative water rights shall be submitted to the State of California or the County of Mendocino without the prior approval and written authorization of the Board of Trustees of the District.

Amended and Adopted this 24th day of July, 2000, by the Board of Trustees of the Mendocino County Russian River Flood Control & Water Conservation Improvement District.

Lee Howard Yes
Bill Townsend Yes
Tom Ashurst Yes
Dan Rogina Yes
Steve Thomas Yes

Ayes 5
Nays 0

ATTEST: Barbara Spazek
Barbara Spazek, Secretary

Lee Howard
Lee Howard, Chairman