APPENDIX 12-A

Water Services Agreement Between Byron-Bethany Irrigation District and Mountain House CSD

WATER SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN BYRON-BETHANY IRRIGATION DISTRICT AND MOUNTAIN HOUSE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into between Byron-Bethany Irrigation District operating under and by virtue of Division 11 of the California Water Code (hereinafter called "BBID"), and the Mountain House Community Services District organized and existing under and pursuant to Title VI, Division 3 of the California Government Code (hereinafter called "MHCSD").

NOW, THEREFORE, the undersigned parties agree, for full and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged as follows:

RECITALS

This agreement is made with reference to the following facts and conditions which the parties hereto agree are a true and accurate description of the basis upon which this agreement is made:

- A. WHEREAS, BBID originally claimed water flowing in Old River, at the point where the west bank of Old River intersected the south bank of a branch or channel making south from said Old River and designated as "Italian Slough" which water flows extended to the use of 40,000 miner's inches measured under a 4-inch pressure and continues to divert said water flows pursuant to a "Notice of Appropriation of Water" dated May 18, 1914, and executed by the president and secretary of the then Byron-Bethany Irrigation Company, predecessor in interest to BBID. A copy of that Notice is attached to this agreement as Exhibit "A" and made a part hereof; and
- B. WHEREAS, BBID subsequently entered into a contract with the State of California in 1964 to avoid condemnation proceedings proposed to eliminate a portion of BBID's S-45 Lateral Canal by construction and installation of the Intake Channel to the Harvey O. Banks pumping plant; and
- C. WHEREAS, a copy of BBID's agreement with the State of California altering its original point of diversion pursuant to Water Code Section 1706 is attached hereto labeled Exhibit "B" and made a part hereof; and
- D. WHEREAS, BBID currently provides water services primarily for agricultural purposes but is servicing lands within its boundaries which are susceptible to irrigation but the intent of which are to be used for residential, domestic and business purposes pursuant to Water Code Section 20702; and



- E. WHEREAS, Water Code Section 22264 anticipates that domestic water service may be provided by an agricultural water services district; and
- F. WHEREAS, BBID proposes to become one of numerous irrigation districts in California to provide water for domestic, municipal and industrial purposes as well as agricultural purposes; and
- G. WHEREAS, BBID has the right to deliver water for domestic, municipal and industrial purposes pursuant to Water Code Sections 22075 and 22076 as these functions were taken from Section 15(b) of the California Irrigation District Act which preceded the California Water Code and expressly provided for distribution of water for domestic purposes; and
- H. WHEREAS, on February 25, 1993, San Joaquin County approved General Plan Amendment Number GP-92-09 by Resolution 93-110 which changed 4,667 acres from general agricultural to a variety of urban land use designations that would enable the ultimate development of those lands into the Mountain House New Community; and
- I. WHEREAS, BBID agreed to cooperate and supply raw water to the Mountain House New Community consistent with the terms and provisions of a letter dated August 18, 1989, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "C" and made a part hereof; and
- J. WHEREAS, development of the Mountain House New Community will be phased over an approximate period from 1994 to 2030. During different periods throughout the phased development there will be land remaining in agricultural production, land utilizing water supplies for domestic, municipal and industrial purposes, and land under development utilizing no water supplies but needing water availability; and
- K. WHEREAS, MHCSD proposes to construct necessary facilities and obtain necessary rights of way subject to the approval and subsequent transfer of facilities and rights of way to BBID to divert and convey a raw water supply which will be supplied by BBID to the Mountain House New Community at MHCSD's water treatment plant facilities and/or raw water storage facilities.

1.0. RECITALS.

The recitals contained herein are an integral part of this agreement.

2.0. DEFINITIONS.

2.1. Agricultural Use: The use of water primarily in the production of agricultural crops or livestock including, but not

limited to, domestic use incidental to such agricultural purposes and the use of water for livestock.

- 2.2 <u>Bankhead Agreement</u>. That agreement dated July 31, 1967, between BBID and Bankhead Enterprises, Inc., granting BBID the right to utilize Mountain House Creek for irrigation surface drainage, as well as the burden for maintenance of said creek.
- 2.3. <u>BBID</u>: Including any lands which may hereafter be included within BBID.
- 2.4. <u>BBID Facilities</u>: Conduits, pipes, pumps and other works owned or controlled by BBID and used by BBID to convey water to or drain water from lands whether inside or outside of BBID.
- 2.5. <u>BBID Water Supply</u>: All water available to or received by BBID, including pre-1914 riparian and post-1914 water rights and water available to BBID from any other source.
- 2.6. <u>Development</u>: Any stage of growth within the Mountain House Area which growth causes or participates in causing an alteration in BBID water flows changing the direction or altering the course of irrigation and/or drainage waters within BBID lands not situated within the Mountain House Project Area.
- 2.7. <u>Diversion Agreement</u>: BBID'S right to divert water from the Harvey O. Banks Intake Channel to the California Aqueduct pursuant to written Agreement No. 353311 with the State of California Department of Water Resources dated May 4, 1964.
- 2.8. MHCSD: The boundaries and sphere of influence of which are more particularly shown on the map attached as Exhibit "D" including any lands which may hereafter be included in MHCSD.
- 2.9. MHCSD Service Facilities: Facilities to be constructed to provide water service for municipal, industrial and domestic use to the Mountain House Project Area, including, but not limited to, pipelines, pumps, water treatment plant and raw water storage facilities.
- 2.10. Mountain House Project Area: That land included within San Joaquin County General Plan Amendment Number GP-92-09 as approved on February 25, 1993, by Resolution 93-110, plus those incidental areas to be included within the master plan of the Mountain House Community, the boundaries of which are designated on a map attached as Exhibit "E".
- 2.11. <u>Municipal, Domestic and Industrial Use</u>: The use of water for other than agricultural use.
- 2.12. <u>Non-BBID</u>: Water available to MHCSD from sources other than BBID water supply, including, but not limited to,

riparian water rights.

- 2.13. <u>Pre-1914 Water Right</u>: BBID'S right to water pursuant to a "Notice of Appropriation of Water" dated May 18, 1914 and executed by the president and secretary of the Byron-Bethany Irrigation Company, predecessor in interest to BBID.
- 2.14. <u>Unallocated Water</u>: BBID water supply which is available to the Mountain House Project Area pursuant to this agreement which is not utilized for agricultural, domestic, municipal or industrial use.

3.0. WATER SERVICE:

3.1. Quantity of Water: During the term of this agreement and otherwise to its then certain current rules and regulations, the provisions of this agreement, and existing California statutory law set forth in the California Water Code, BBID shall provide a quantity of water sufficient to provide treated water service up to and including the same amounts as historically supplied land provided by BBID within the Mountain House Project Area. BBID's pre-1914 water right is to the use of water flowing to the extent of 40,000 miner's inches measured under a 4-inch pressure but actual use within the Mountain House Project Area currently within BBID has ranged from 5,900 to 10,100 acrefeet actually for the period 1976 through 1991, a period considered representative of historic hydrologic and climate conditions. Because of the need for a certainty of the right to water in developing a municipal, domestic and industrial water supply, the parties hereto have agreed for contracting purposes to utilize the average annual water conveyed to, distributed and consumed within the Mountain House Project Area currently within BBID from the period between 1976 and 1991 which is 9,413 acre-feet per year. Such water conveyed to, distributed and consumed within the Mountain House Project Area includes, but is not limited to, conveyance losses or line losses such as evaporation and seepage. The water allocated to MHCSD pursuant to this agreement will be measured at BBID's diversion pumps within the intake facilities which additional pumping facilities are to be constructed and conveyed to BBID by MHCSD as described in paragraph 6.1.

3.2. Increased Water Allocation to MHCSD:

3.2.1. Additional Water Use: Should BBID determine at any time that water in excess of the 9,413 acre-feet is available within the District to be served and delivered to MHCSD, MHCSD may be entitled to take any such additional water which can be put to beneficial use within the Mountain House Project Area within BBID after first receiving approval and consent of the District to water service pursuant to the then existing District rules and regulations and otherwise subject to the terms and conditions of this agreement.

3.3. Non-Availability of Water: MHCSD has requested, received and reviewed the pleadings, papers, records and other documents generated in Sacramento County Action No. 282495 and San Francisco County Action No. 765609 entitled State of California Vs. Byron-Bethany Irrigation District, et al., which action was filed on or about June 26, 1979 and was subsequently dismissed in or about December, 1986. MHCSD is satisfied with their review of the above materials and agrees to indemnify BBID from any and all claim, liability, loss, cost or expense incurred or suffered by MHCSD, their landowners, customers or water users by virtue of the non-existence or diminished water supplies promised in this agreement by the action of the State of California or the United States Government.

4.0. ANNEXATIONS.

BBID agrees to cooperate with MHCSD seeking the annexation of approximately 638 acres of property within the Mountain House Project Area without an alternative source of water supply, subject to the approval and imposition of such terms and conditions as the Board of Directors of BBID deems appropriate. It is contemplated by the parties that the landowners of approximately 175 of those acres will petition BBID immediately for annexation. It is also contemplated that additional lands which are currently within the Mountain House Project Area, but not within the boundaries of BBID, may petition to be annexed into BBID at some time in the future subject to the approval of BBID's Board of Directors, the appropriate Local Agency Formation Commission, and the terms and provisions of this agreement.

5.0. LEVEL OF WATER SERVICE.

The parties agree that it is their intent to insure that the existing level of service to BBID's agricultural landowners and water users shall not be impaired or impeded by the terms and provisions of this agreement as determined by BBID's Board of Directors.

6.0. WATER SERVICE FACILITIES.

By this agreement, including any action which may be taken under the terms and provisions of this agreement, BBID does not grant, transfer, or assign to MHCSD any interest in its water entitlement, water contracts or rights to receive water or any expectancy to said rights in regard to water or the water supply held by or anticipated to be held by BBID. MHCSD covenants that it shall take no action or make any claim that it is directly or indirectly entitled to any amounts of water which are otherwise available to BBID except as otherwise provided in the terms and provisions of this agreement and in this paragraph and its various subparagraphs. In order to take delivery of water from BBID for municipal, industrial and domestic use, MHCSD shall construct,

install, and, where indicated, transfer the following facilities:

- MHCSD will construct a pump 6.1. <u>Intake Facilities</u>: house, pumps and appurtenant facilities within BBID's diversion easement or a new diversion easement on the Intake Channel pursuant to the 1964 agreement with the State of California attached hereto as Exhibit "B". BBID shall select the location of the diversion easement on the intake channel subject to approval of the Department of Water Resources. The facilities constructed by MHCSD will be adjacent to but independent of BBID's existing pumping facilities. Facilities constructed by MHCSD will divert water into a raw water conveyance pipeline designed to convey and transmit the water to MHCSD treatment plant facilities and/or raw water storage BBID shall attempt to obtain permission from the Department of Water Resources for the construction, installation, transfer and subsequent operation of MHCSD facilities within BBID's diversion easement, or a new diversion easement, with the State of California. All facilities constructed by MHCSD pursuant to the provisions of this subparagraph shall be first approved in writing by BBID, and MHCSD shall compensate District for all plan check, inspection and approval services which are contemplated to be performed by BBID's engineers, CH2M Hill. BBID's acceptance of payment for service performed is not a warranty or guarantee by BBID of proper design or proper specifications of materials or construction. Such payment shall include receiving the consent and approval of Department of Water Resources for construction, installation, transfer and subsequent operation of both BBID and MHCSD facilities set forth herein within BBID's diversion easement with the State of California. Additionally, upon completion of the pump house, pumps, appurtenant facilities and conveyance pipeline described in paragraph 6.2 below in a manner meeting BBID's approval, MHCSD shall convey all of said facilities and title thereto free and clear of all liens, encumbrances and expense to BBID by such form of conveyance and documents as deemed necessary by BBID.
- 6.2. Conveyance Pipeline: MHCSD will construct a water conveyance pipeline along one of the alternate routes set forth in the map attached as Exhibit "F" after first receiving written approval of the alternate route from BBID. MHCSD is not acting as a contractor, agent, official or representative of BBID in constructing either the raw water conveyance pipeline or any of the facilities and appurtenances thereto provided and set forth in paragraph 6.1. This agreement simply provides construction, installation, ownership and operation of such water system and facilities. BBID's approval of the route of raw water conveyance, pipeline, pumps, pumping facilities and other appurtenances thereto shall not be deemed as a warranty or guarantee by BBID of proper design and of proper specifications of materials or construction. BBID specifically relies upon the design and specifications as prepared or caused to be prepared by MHCSD as being in accordance with the conditions of the geography

and as having specific materials and equipment of the highest practicable quality and character.

- 6.3. Treatment Plant and Raw Water Storage Facilities: MHCSD will construct a water treatment plant and appurtenant facilities within the Mountain House Project Area at one of the alternative locations described on the map attached as Exhibit "F". Additionally, MHCSD acknowledges that BBID may have a right to store its pre-1914 water, which may be utilized by MHCSD as an overall component of its water supply system. MHCSD agrees that it will provide for storage of raw water as a component of its water service facilities as required by local, state and federal laws and regulations.
- 6.4. <u>BBID Cooperation</u>: Agrees to cooperate with MHCSD to obtain approvals which may be required for construction and operation of water service facilities as set forth in paragraphs 6.0 Through 6.3. BBID shall be indemnified by MHCSD for all costs incurred for such cooperation. MHCSD shall have the right to utilize the water service facilities for conveyance of non-BBID water, pursuant to the terms and provisions of this agreement.

7.0. NON-INTERFERENCE.

MHCSD shall take all steps necessary to protect BBID facilities during construction, operation, maintenance, repair and replacement of proposed water service facilities described in paragraphs 6.0 through 6.3 and shall insure that irrigation and drainage to all lands within BBID shall be maintained at the level of service delivered by BBID prior to the execution of this agreement. Should that level of water service be disturbed by activities associated with construction, installation, repair or replacement of water service facilities as determined by BBID's Board of Directors, MHCSD shall make any necessary arrangements for water supply and drainage to any lands within BBID which are severed from remaining lands within BBID by development within the Mountain House Project Area currently within BBID.

7.1. Drainage Responsibility: As lands within Mountain House are removed from irrigation and developed for non-agricultural uses, MHCSD shall assume the responsibility for drainage of those lands in accordance with the law. Upon assumption of such drainage responsibilities by MHCSD to the satisfaction of BBID. BBID shall quit claim and/or assign to MHCSD any and all easements, contracts and other interests in land which are no longer required to provide drainage services. In that regard, MHCSD shall indemnify and hold harmless BBID, its directors, officers, officials, employees, agents and independent contractors from any and all liability to any third party, arising directly or indirectly, from any act or omission or alleged act or omission arising from the performance or failure to perform any duty or obligation arising out of or in connection with the

provision of the drainage obligations set forth in this subsection; which indemnification includes, but is not limited to, all expenses, attorney fees and other costs.

- Agricultural Drainage and Mountain House 7.2.1. Creek: BBID agrees to continue to provide agricultural drainage as required by law, to lands within Mountain House which remain under agricultural irrigation provided that the Bankhead Agreement shall be assigned to and become the responsibility of MHCSD as of the date of execution of this agreement. To the extent that the development and/or development activities within MHCSD increase the burden on BBID to maintain the level of drainage services provided by BBID prior to execution of this agreement, MHCSD shall provide the additional services required. MHCSD hereby grants to BBID the right to use Mountain House Creek from Alameda County to Old River, or an alternate water course as determined mutually by MHCSD and BBID, for discharge of agricultural drainage water and current flood flows. MHCSD agrees to reasonably maintain Mountain House Creek within San Joaquin County as a natural drainage channel as required for the purposes described herein.
- 7.3. <u>Waste Water</u>: MHCSD will not utilize treated waste water for agricultural irrigation purposes within the boundaries of BBID without the prior written consent of BBID. For purposes of this subsection, agricultural irrigation shall not include application of treated waste water for municipal irrigation, including, but not limited to, golf courses, municipal landscaping, median strips, or wetlands maintenance.

8.0. WATER DELIVERY.

Water utilized by MHCSD for municipal, domestic and industrial use shall be delivered by BBID through the pumping facilities and conveyance line identified in paragraphs 6.0 through 6.2 all to be constructed within BBID's diversion easement acquired and to be acquired rights of way. Water utilized within the Mountain House Project Area currently within BBID for agricultural use shall be delivered through BBID facilities and be subject to the then current District rules and regulations adopted by BBID pursuant to Water Code Section 22257.

9.0. ESTABLISHMENT OF RATES AND CHARGES FOR WATER SERVICES.

BBID shall from time to time establish by resolution adopted by its Board of Directors, such rates, charges and levees sufficient to provide for the cost of all operation, maintenance, repairs, water supplies or materials together with reasonable reserves for operation, maintenance, repair and replacement of facilities, accounts for depreciation and sinking funds, together with funds for rehabilitation or expansion of existing pumping and conveyance facilities and acquisition of further facilities as may be needed in the determination of BBID to divert water for

municipal, industrial and domestic uses to MHCSD. Quantities of water diverted by BBID for the benefit of MHCSD shall be determined by meters installed on the pumps constructed and installed as provided in paragraph 6.1 above. All metering and other measuring devices constructed and installed shall be performed by MHCSD at their cost subject to the approval of BBID. Non-BBID water which is diverted through the pumping and conveyance line facilities shall be subtracted from the total quantity of metered water delivered to MHCSD provided that if such nonmetered water is owned by MHCSD and conveyed at MHCSD's request, MHCSD shall pay BBID a charge for wheeling water through BBID facilities for the benefit of MHCSD in an amount to be determined at the time of MHCSD's request for delivery of non-BBID water.

9.1. Standby and/or Water Availability Charge Pursuant to Water Code Section 22280: MHCSD shall pay standby and/or water availability charges to BBID. The initial charge shall be determined by the Board of Directors based upon 9,413 acre-feet of water made available to MHCSD for municipal, industrial and domestic use. The standby charge shall be in the nature of a charge to the entire Mountain House Project Area within the boundaries of BBID. The standby and/or water availability charge shall be determined by BBID's Board of Directors pursuant to its then current District rules and regulations and paid monthly by MHCSD with payments due BBID on the first day of each and every month. The water availability and/or standby charge payment shall be due BBID thirty (30) days following construction installation of the water service facilities including the conveyance line as described in paragraphs 6.0 through 6.2 herein. The Mountain House Project Area shall have direct access to the water service facilities and conveyance line described paragraphs 6.0 through 6.2 upon completion of construction; therefore, the pumping facilities and conveyance water line can provide services from BBID owned, operated, maintained and repaired facilities which facilities will or may be under permit from the Department of Public Health of the State of California or a county department of public health permit provided under the applicable provisions of the Health and Safety Code of the State of California or other applicable regulations and licensing facility for the service of water for human consumption.

10.0. <u>FULL BENEFICIAL USE</u>.

10.1. <u>Water Use</u>: The water supply made available pursuant to this agreement may be used in the Mountain House Project Area currently within BBID for agricultural, domestic, municipal and/or industrial uses. Additionally, the water supply made available pursuant to this agreement may be used for any other purposes set forth below. MHCSD reserves the right to determine the method of distributing water within the boundaries of MHCSD provided that such water is not distributed and/or used outside the boundaries of BBID without first receiving a determination from

BBID's Board of Directors that such waters are surplus to the needs of landowners and water users within BBID pursuant to the then current rules and regulations and applicable provisions of the California Water Code and/or existing law. MHCSD and BBID shall mutually determine whether or not any action is required to be brought by the District or desired in Superior Court or before the State Water Resources Control Board in order to confirm any change or expansion in use of the water supplies made available to MHCSD pursuant to the terms and provisions of this agreement. MHCSD shall bear all costs of proceeding with any such actions.

and BBID understand and agree that there will be years during the term of this agreement when the full amount of water allocated to MHCSD pursuant to this agreement cannot be used within Mountain House. MHCSD understands that BBID's water rights were acquired and are operated and utilized for the full benefit of landowners and water users within the boundaries of BBID and that BBID's Board of Directors will put MHCSD's unallocated or unused water to beneficial use in the Board's discretion pursuant to then current rules and regulations and California law.

11.0. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This agreement shall become effective upon the date of the signature of the last signing party. It is contemplated that there may be some delay in time between the signature of BBID and that of MHCSD; therefore, the execution of this agreement by BBID is understood to be the extension of an irrevocable offer restricted to the terms and provisions set forth in this document. irrevocable offer extended by BBID is supported by payment of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) cash monies annually as of the date this agreement was authorized and approved for execution by BBID; i.e., August 31, 1993, provided that should MHCSD sign this agreement prior to the expiration of this irrevocable offer; option monies due and payable to BBID shall be prorated over 365 days. Additionally, should this agreement not be executed by MHCSD on or before the third anniversary of the authorized signature of BBID; i.e., August 31, 1993, then this irrevocable offer to perform by BBID shall be of no further force and effect regardless of the signature of MHCSD, unless subsequently reinstated or ratified by BBID. Notwithstanding section 22 of this agreement, the landowners within the proposed boundaries of the MHCSD including, but not limited to, the developer, Trimark Communities, a California general partnership, shall be third party beneficiaries to this agreement and shall be entitled to enforce the offer which this agreement constitutes upon execution by BBID until formation of the MHCSD or expiration of the offer. Provided further that the developer, Trimark Communities, owning approximately 1,200 acres of real property within proposed MHCSD, shall be responsible for payment of the consideration for the option as provided above. The standby charge and/or water availability charge described in

paragraphs 9 through 9.1.1 shall become effective as described in paragraph 9.1 above. Prior to that time, service within the entire Mountain House Project Area currently within BBID shall continue for agricultural use subject to the then current existing rules and regulations of BBID, and provisions of Division 11 of the California Water Code and existing law otherwise subject to the terms and provisions of this agreement.

12.0. ANNUAL REPORT.

On or before March 1 of each year, MHCSD shall provide BBID with a projected annual report which will make a non-binding estimate of the acreage within MHCSD and within BBID boundaries which will be in agricultural production, will be in domestic, industrial or municipal use or for construction or other developmental purposes. This obligation shall cease upon full development within MHCSD to domestic, municipal and industrial uses.

13.0. RECORDS.

BBID shall provide MHCSD with monthly bills for water services including water availability and/or standby charges which shall reflect water use reports for all lands within MHCSD.

14.0. WINTER WATER RIGHTS.

The parties acknowledge that they believe BBID maintains the right to divert, convey and distribute water pursuant to pre-1914 water rights previously acquired to MHCSD on an annual basis for either and/or all water uses including, but not limited to, agricultural, municipal, industrial and domestic. supplement BBID'S right to divert water from a period determined to be October to March each year, BBID agrees to pursue an application for post-1914 appropriative water rights for supplemental water from the state of California Department of Water Resources, to coordinate and cooperate with MHCSD and the State of California to effectuate an exchange agreement and to assist MHCSD in all reasonable efforts to secure supplemental winter water or confirm BBID'S existing right to serve pre-1914 water during the period of October through March annually. MHCSD and BBID shall mutually determine whether or not any actions are required to be brought by the District or desired in Superior Court or before the State Water Resources Control Board in order to confirm any change or expansion in use of the water supplies made available to MHCSD pursuant to the terms and provisions of this agreement. MHCSD shall bear all costs of proceeding with any such actions.

15.0. WATER QUALITY.

The parties acknowledge that the water to be supplied MHCSD by BBID pursuant to the terms and provisions of this agreement, then

current District rules and regulations and applicable provisions of the California Water Code is non-potable. MHCSD assumes all responsibility for producing a water supply sufficient for municipal, industrial and/or domestic use and for compliance with all local, state and federal requirements for the provision of potable water. BBID does not guarantee in any respect or assume any responsibility for the chemical, bacterial or other quality of the raw water made available to MHCSD or its compatibility for water treatment.

16.0. <u>ASSESSMENTS</u>.

MHCSD recognizes that property within the Mountain House Project Area and the boundaries of BBID will remain subject to existing BBID ad valorem taxes and assessments. MHCSD recognizes and agrees that future assessments against properties within the Mountain House Project Area and within the boundaries of BBID will and do incur, both direct and indirect, benefits from the existence and supplies of raw water by BBID and those lands will continue to incur future ad valorem taxes and assessments. MHCSD agrees to make payment directly to BBID for all assessment of properties within its boundaries.

17.0. MUNICIPAL, INDUSTRIAL AND DOMESTIC WATER SUPPLY.

MHCSD shall comply in all respects with local, state and federal requirements for provision of a domestic, municipal and/or industrial water supply including, but not limited to, water treatment, storage and availability. MHCSD shall indemnify and hold harmless BBID, its directors, officers, officials, employees, agents and independent contractors from any and all liability to any third party, arising directly or indirectly from any act or omission or alleged act or omission arising from the performance or failure to perform any duty or obligation arising out of or in connection with the provision of domestic, municipal and/or industrial water supply including water treatment, storage and availability which indemnification includes but is not limited to all expenses, attorney fees and other costs.

18.0. <u>VALIDATION PROVISIONS</u>.

The parties acknowledge that this agreement and/or any of its provisions including, but not limited to, the right to store water, the inclusion and extension of BBID's pre-1914 water rights to areas of land within the Mountain House Project Area, but not within BBID, and the provisions of municipal, industrial, and domestic water supplies within the boundaries of BBID, may be subject to a validation action to be brought by the District. MHCSD agrees to bear all costs associated with such validation action if it is mutually determined to pursue such an action.

19.0. <u>RESPONSIBILITY OF CONVEYING, TRANSMITTING AND DISTRIBUTING WATER.</u>

BBID shall be responsible for the conveyance, transmission and distribution of water to the MHCSD treatment plant as described in paragraphs 6.0 through 6.2 set forth herein.

20.0. <u>INDEMNIFICATION</u>.

BBID and MHCSD each agree to indemnify the other and save the other free and harmless of and from any and all liability, damage, loss, cost, or expense incurred or suffered by the other, by reason of damage to the property of the other or injury to any other person or property arising out of its own conduct, acts, omissions, or faults, in connection with any matter related to this agreement except as otherwise set forth herein.

21.0. <u>RELATIONSHIP OF PARTIES</u>.

Nothing contained in this agreement shall be deemed or construed by the parties or by any third party to create the relationship of principal and agent, a partnership, joint venture, or of any other association between the parties.

22.0. <u>NO RIGHT IN THIRD PARTIES</u>.

Nothing in this agreement, express or implied, is intended to confer any rights or remedies under or by reason of this agreement on any third party, nor is anything in this agreement intended to relieve or discharge the obligation or liability of any third party to any party in this agreement, nor shall any provision in this agreement give any third party any right of subrogation or action over or against any party to this agreement.

23.0. <u>SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE</u>.

By reason of the specialized nature of the water service to be rendered, and for the further reason that the extent of any damage caused to any party by reason of any breach of this agreement may be extremely difficult to determine, it is agreed by the parties hereto that an action for damages is an inadequate remedy for any breach, and that specific performance, without precluding any other remedy available in equity or at law, will be necessary to furnish any party hereto with an adequate remedy for the breach by any other party hereto of any covenant or obligation for the benefit of the aggrieved party.

24.0. <u>ASSIGNMENT</u>. The terms and provisions of this agreement taken independently or within the entirety of the agreement shall not be assigned or transferred by MHCSD without first receiving the written consent of BBID provided that BBID shall not unreasonably withhold such consent.

25.0. SEVERABILITY.

If any term, provision, covenant, or condition of this agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void, or unenforceable, the remainder of the provisions shall remain in full force and effect and shall in no way be effected, impaired or invalidated.

26.0. ENTIRE AGREEMENT.

This agreement is full and entire and may not be altered except by a writing executed by the parties hereto. The parties agree that there are no warranties, either express or implied, no covenants or promises or expectations other than those contained within as set forth in writing in this agreement, and that this agreement is full and entire.

27.0. AMENDMENT.

This agreement may be amended only by a written instrument duly executed by the parties.

28.0. WAIVER.

The waiver or failure to declare a breach as a result of the violation of any term of this agreement shall not constitute a waiver of that term or condition and shall not provide the basis for a claim of estoppel.

29.0. ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS.

Each party agrees to make, execute, and deliver any and all documents and to join in any application or action reasonably required to implement this agreement.

30.0. NOTICES.

BBID:

Any notice, demand, or request provided for in this agreement shall be in writing, and shall be deemed properly served, given, or made if delivered in person or if sent by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, to the person specified below:

Byron-Bethany Irrigation District

	3944 Main Street P.O. Box 273 Byron, CA 94514	
MHCSD:	Mountain House Community Services Distr	ict

31.0. TERM.

This agreement shall become effective on the date first above written and shall remain in effect in perpetuity.

32.0. ARBITRATION.

In the event of a dispute between the parties as to any right, alleged right, obligation or alleged obligation under this agreement, the parties shall make a good faith effort to resolve the dispute. In the event that a resolution of the dispute cannot be reached despite these efforts, either party may declare an impasse and its intent to submit the matter to arbitration as provided in this section. Notice of such impasse shall be given in writing to the other and shall include a description of the disputed issue or issues, a description of the possible solutions or resolutions to the dispute and the course of action or solution advocated by the party declaring the impasse.

- 32.1. <u>Impasse Notice</u>: The party receiving the notice of impasse described in paragraph 32.0 shall respond in writing within twenty-one (21) days. Said response shall contain that party's response to the issues raised and the responding party's proposed resolution to the impasse. The parties shall then meet within ten (10) days and attempt to resolve the impasse.
- 32.2. Arbitrator Selection: In the event that the impasse is not resolved, the parties shall jointly appoint a mutually agreeable arbitrator who is a licensed civil engineer with experience and expertise in the area in dispute. The arbitrator shall be selected within thirty (30) days and in the event that the parties cannot do so, application may be made, by either or both parties, to the Contra Costa County Superior Court to appoint an arbitrator meeting these qualifications.
- 32.3. <u>Powers of Arbitrator</u>: The arbitrator appointed pursuant to paragraph 32.2 shall set a date within thirty (30) days of his appointment to meet with the parties and review all aspects of the issue in contention. The arbitrator shall receive and consider any documents or other written evidence submitted by the parties together with any oral presentation of information by either or both of the parties. The arbitrator shall be entitled to conduct his own inquiry into the facts of the dispute or require further information of either or both of the parties. The arbitrator shall render his decision in writing within ten (10) days of receipt of all information he deems necessary to his decision.
- 32.4. <u>Determination</u>: The arbitrator's determination may provide for mechanisms of enforcement and terms of compliance. The arbitrator may direct the preparation, execution, and recordation of any agreement, or conveyance resulting from his

determination. The arbitrator may determine issues involving adjustment of contractual obligations based on changed circumstances and appropriate limits of insurance coverage. The arbitrator may award to the prevailing party attorney fees, expert and consultant fees and costs reasonably incurred in pursuing the arbitration or may divide such fees and costs between the parties. Unless appealed, as set forth in paragraph 32.5 below, the arbitrator's decision shall be binding and enforceable against the parties.

- 32.5. <u>Contest of Award</u>: If either party to the arbitration wishes to contest the decision of the arbitrator, that party may do so, only under the following conditions:
- a. The notice of intent to appeal the arbitration decision must be made within thirty (30) days of receipt of that decision.
- b. The party seeking to appeal the decision shall pay for all costs of the appeal including any experts, consultants or other expenses deemed necessary by the appellate panel.
- c. The party seeking the appeal shall abide by the original arbitration decision including all payments required thereunder, unless doing so would create an irrevocable situation or condition making further arbitration moot. In this case, the party seeking appeal shall pay any money awarded by the arbitrator and abide by as much of the decision as possible without creating an irrevocable condition.
- 32.6. Appeal: The appeal of an arbitration decision shall be made to a panel consisting of three (3) arbitrators. Each arbitrator shall be a civil engineer licensed in California. The arbitrator who made the decision being appealed shall not be a member of the panel. Each party to the dispute shall appoint one (1) arbitrator to the panel who shall then appoint a third arbitrator mutually agreeable to them. Each party shall appoint its arbitrator within thirty (30) days of initiation of the notice of appeal. The two (2) arbitrators shall then make their appointment of the third arbitrator within twenty (20) days of the date on which the last arbitrator was appointed by a party. If the two (2) members of the arbitration panel are unable to agree on the selection of the third member, the parties may apply to the Superior Court of Contra Costa County to appoint that arbitrator.
- 32.7. <u>Powers of Arbitration Panel</u>: The arbitration panel shall have the right to consult with the original arbitrator, conduct its own inquiry into the facts of the dispute or require further information of either or both of the parties. The panel shall have the right to employ consultants or other experts to assist in rendering its determination. The panel shall render its decision in writing within ten (10) days of receipt of all

information it deems necessary to its decision.

32.8. <u>Final Decision</u>: The decision of the arbitration panel shall be final and binding upon the parties and shall be implemented in accordance with any provisions contained in the arbitration determination. The parties waive the right to commence any court proceeding involving any issue which is subject to arbitration, except as may be necessary to enforce any final decision of arbitration. In the event court proceedings are necessary to enforce any decision of the arbitrator, the court may award reasonable attorney fees and costs incurred in connection with said action upon a finding that said action was reasonably necessary to enforce or accomplish the arbitration determination.

	"BBID" BYRON-BETHANY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
Authorized and approved for signature on August 31, 1993:	1
Dated: 9-7-93	By: Jerry TENNANT, Director and
	Acting President
Authorized and approved for signature on August 31, 1993:	
Dated: 9-7-93	By: Betty Compilli BETTY COMPILLI, Secretary
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	"MHCSD" MOUNTAIN HOUSE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
Authorized and approved for signature on	
Dated:	By:President
Authorized and approved for signature on	
Dated:	By:
	Secretary

NOTICE OF APPROPRIATION OF WATER.

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NOTICE IS HEVERY GIVEN, that BYRON-BETHARY IRRIGATION COMPANY, a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of California, and having its principal place of business in Contra Costa County, State aforeauid, does hereby claim the water flowing in Old River, at the point where the West bank of said Old River intersects the South bank of the branch or channel making South from said Old River and designated as "ITALIAN SLOUGH", and which said point is near to the center of Section Seven (7), Township One (1) South, Range Four (4) Rast Mount Diablo Base and Meridian in said Contra Costa County.

That said corporation claims and intends to use the water there flowing to the extent of 40,000 inches measured under a four-inch pressure.

That the purpose for which said corporation claims said water is to furnish water to its shareholders for irrigation and domestic purposes, and the place where it is intended to use said water is upon the lands lying in the Easterly portions of Contra Costa and Alameda Counties and the Southwesterly portion of San Josquin County.

That the means by which it is intended to divert said water and the size of the diverting sgency is as follows:

FIRST, through and slong Italian Slough Southerly for about two miles to a point on the Southerly Section line of Section 13, in Township One South, Range Three East Mount Diable Base and Meridian, and distant thereon 1450 feet Westerly from the Southeast corner of said Section 13, and which said Italian Slough is about 200 feet wide and 8 feet deep at its confluence with said Old River.

Thence Westerly through and along an artificial chamel 200 rect wide and 8 feet deep, now existing, 3350 feet to a point 480 feet East of the Southwest corner of anid Section 13.

SECOND; thence Southeasterly 3600 feet through and along an artificial canal or channel new existing, to the point of intersection of said canal with a creek known as Bruns Creek and the Seggragation line, and which said point is in the Southwest quarter of Section 24, Township One South, Range Three East Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, said artificial channel or canal which is about 25 feet wide and 6 feet deep to be onlarged to 46 feet wide at the top, 30 feet wide at the bottom and 8 feet deep.

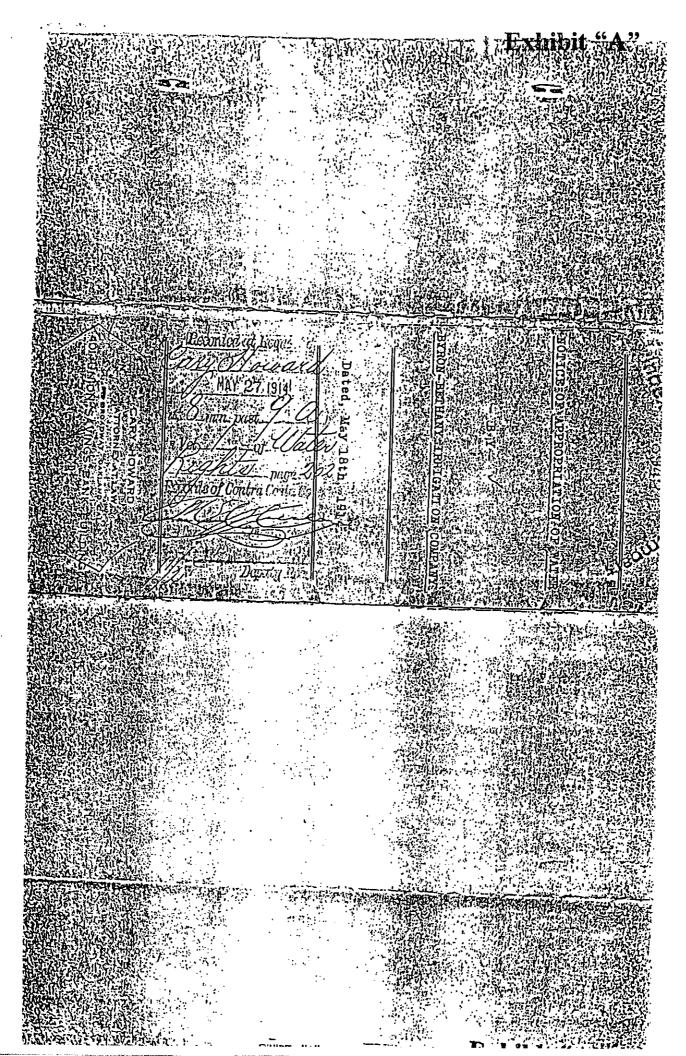
THIRD; thence through and by a canal or channel 50 feet wide at the top, 30 feet wide at the bottom and about 10 feet deep to be cut, and following Southwesterly up and along said Bruns Creek 2600 feet to a point near the Southwest corner of the Southwest quarter of said Section 24, and at such last named point by pumps and other applications and appliance to lift the water into several ditches of films of other conveyors for distribution to the main and other all latters of other conveyors for distribution to the main and other latters of the said of adjacent lands.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, said corporation has caused its corporate in a set to be hereunto subscribed by its President; and its obsorbed by its President; and its obsorbed by its Secretary, the day of the day of the secretary, the day of

BYRON-BETHANY IRRIGATION COMPANY

By P. Houston Secretary

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AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING OF NOTICE OF APPROPRIATION OF WATER.

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COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA

being duly sworn, deposes and says:

That on May 18th, 1914 he posted a full, true and correct copy of the attached "NOTICE OF APPROPRIATION OF WATER" at the point where the West bank of Old River intersects the South bank of the branch or channel making South from said Old River, and designated as "Italian Slough", and which said point where said notice was posted is near to the center of Section 7, Township One South, Range 4 East Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, in Contra Costa County, State of California, by then and there affixing and lastening such copy of said "Notice of Appropriation of Water" to and upon a board firmly fixed in the ground at said above designated point;

That on May 18th, 1914, he posted a full, true and correct copy of the attached "NOTICE OF APPROPRIATION OF WATER" at the point of intersection of the East bank of "Italian Slough" at its terminus with the Eastern extremity of the South embankment of an artificial canal or channel 200 feet wide extending Westerly on the Southerly section line of Section 13 in Township One South, Range 3 East Mount Diable Base and Meridian, in Contra Costa County, State of California, and which point is distant on such section line 1450 feet Westerly thereon from the Southeast corner of said Section 13 by then and there affixing and fastening such copy of said "Notice of Appropriation of Water" to and upon a board firmly fixed in the ground at said last above designated point

That on May 18th, 1914, he posted a full, true and, correct copy of the attached "NOTICE OF APPROPRIATION OF WATER" at the point of intersection of the South bank of the canel or channel 200 feet wide running East and West on the Southerly section line of Section 13, Township One South, Range 3 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, in Contra Costa County, State of California, with the East bank of the canal or channel 25 feet wide extending Southeasterly, in the said point of intersection being 480 feet East of the Southwest corner of said Section 13, by then and there uffixing and fastening such copy of said "Notice of Appropriation of Water" to and upon a poard firmly fixed in the ground at said last above designated point,

poscribed and sworn to before me,

Notary Public in and for the County of Contra Costa, State of California.

My Commission Expires Sept. 18, 1916

	1	PROOF OF SERVICE BY MAIL (C.C.P. 10' :, 2015.5)
•	2	I, declare that:
•	3	I am employed in the County of Butte, State of California.
	.4	I am over the age of eighteen years and not a party to the within
	5	cause; my business address is: 1681 Bird Street, P. O. Box 1679,
	6	Oroville, California 95965.
	.7	On April 8, 1983 , I served the within
	8	ANSWERS TO INTERROGATORIES (FIRST SET)
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	25	State of California that the foregoing is true and correct, and
	26	that this declaration was executed on April 8, 1983
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John B. Clausen, County Counsel Edward V. Lane, Jr., Deputy County Counsel County of Contra Costa Administration Building 9th Floor Martinez, CA 94553

VERIFICATION (Standard) CCP 446, 2015.5

1	I declare that:		
2	I am the in the above entitled action; I have read the foregoing		
์ 3	ANSWERS TO INTERROGATORIES (FIRST SET)		
4	and know the contents thereof; the same is true of my own knowledge, except as to those matters which are therein stated		
5	my information or belief, and as to those matters I believe it to be true.		
6	I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct and that this verifi- cation was executed on		
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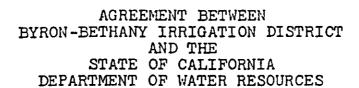
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AGREEMENT NUMBER 353311



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OFFICERAL

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into by and between the BYRON-BETHANY IRRIGATION DISTRICT, hereinafter referred to as the "District," and the STATE OF CALIFORNIA acting by and through its Department of Water Resources, hereinafter referred to as the "State;"

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the State proposes to construct, as a part of state water development operations an intake channel in the vicinity of Byron; and

WHEREAS, said intake channel will cross District's S45 lateral canal and destroy a portion of said canal; and

WHEREAS, the District desires to relocate its pumping facilities to said intake channel in lieu of accepting a flume which the State has proposed to construct, at no cost to the District, to replace the portion of said S45 lateral canal which will be destroyed by the intake channel;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is mutually agreed as follows:

1. In lieu of constructing a flume for District and in exchange for that portion of District's S45 canal which will be destroyed by State's intake channel, State will pay to the District the sum of \$120,000. Such payment to District shall be made as oon after execution of this agreement as State's fiscal procedure will permit and shall relieve State of any obligation to provide

any temporary or permanent facilities or permissions relating to District's S45 canal other than the permanent and perpetual easement required for District's pumping plants on the intake channel as provided for herein and permission for the construction and temporary use of a bypass canal and siphon facilities as hereinafter described.

- 2. Upon execution of this agreement, State grants to District permission to construct, operate and maintain a temporary bypass canal substantially as shown on State's Drawing No. 151-1-H-23, attached hereto, marked Exhibit "A" and by this reference made a part hereof. Said construction, operation and maintenance shall be performed by and at the expense of District and District agrees to terminate use of said temporary canal and make it available to State, at no cost to State, not later than November 1, 1965, so that State may complete excavation and construction of State's intake channel.
- 3. State will make District's temporary siphon and permanent pump sites, located as shown on Byron-Bethany Irrigation District Drawing No. W26.06-1 attached hereto, marked Exhibit "B" and by this reference made a part hereof, available to District, without cost to District and without any preparation required solely for District's purposes, as soon as reasonably possible, but in no event later than December 1, 1965. Upon the availability of such sites, District may proceed with the construction and operation of District's proposed temporary siphon system. All construction, operation and maintenance of such siphon system shall be performed by and at the expense of District. Additionally, District may proceed with the construction of its contemplated permanent pumping

Exhibit "B"

facilities, such construction to be by and at the expense of District. District shall not, however, undertake any construction until it has submitted its plans and specifications to State and has obtained State's approval thereof. State shall not unreasonably withhold or delay such approval. District will, not later than November 1, 1966, complete any of its work which would interfere with the flow of water in the intake channel, but shall not divert water from said channel prior to March 1, 1968. District will, prior to September 1, 1968, remove its temporary siphon from State's intake channel, such removal to be at District's sole cost and expense.

- 4. The relocation of District's pumping plants and points of diversion to the location shown on Exhibit "B" is being made pursuant to Sectior 1706 of the Water Code of the State of California and State hereby consents to said change in points of diversion to said locations, but to no other. It is further understood that District's rights to quantity and quality of water may or may not be undetermined at the present time. Nothing contained in this agreement nor in State's consent to change in District's points of diversion shall either enlarge or restrict District's present water rights. No charge shall hereafter be made by State to District for water pumped by District solely by reason of District's pumping from State's intake channel, irrespective of the source of water in said channel.
- 5. State and District, their agents, contractors and suppliers, shall cooperate with and shall not unreasonably restrict or interfere with the operations of each other's contractors working in the general area.

- 6. District, in the performance of its work contemplated herein, is acting on its own behalf and not as the agent, employer or contractor of State. State assumes no liability other than that expressly provided for herein for the actions of District in the performance of such work.
- 7. State hereby consents to the permanent and perpetual use by District, without cost, of State's facilities and of that portion of its right of way required for the construction, operation and maintenance of District's permanent facilities as provided for herein and located as shown on Exhibit "B" attached hereto, together with the right to use State's operating roads for access purposes.
- 8. Within 30 days following payment to District by State as provided for in paragraph 1 of this agreement, District Will convey to State all of District's right, title and interest in that portion of its present easement, lying within State's intake channe which will no longer be occupied by District's S45 canal or District's permanent facilities.
- 9. District reserves the right, at District's sole cost, expense and responsibility and as long as it does not interfere with State's facilities or conflict with any of the provisions of this agreement, to revert back at any time to its original pumping site and points of diversion. Such reversion shall not reconstitute the District's right of way across State's intake channel.
- 10. The waiver of a breach of any of the provisions of this agreement shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any other provisions hereof, or of a subsequent breach of such provisions.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, t	he parties hereto have executed day of		
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	BYRON-BETHANY IRRIGATION DISTRICT		
PORM POLICY BUDGET Department of General Services	By .]// /// /// ////////// President, Board of Directors		
JUN 11 1964	By Secretary		
Approved as to legal form and sufficiency:	STATE OF CALIFORNIA Department of Water Resources		
Chief Counsel for the Department of Water Resources	By Mardala DEPUTY DIRECTOR ADMINISTRATION		
Official of Department Of Finance			

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REQULAR MEETING HELD ON SECOND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH

August 18, 1989

Mr. William W. Johnson Managing Partner TRIMARK COMMUNITIES 3120 Tracy Blvd., Suite C Tracy, California 95376



Dear Mr. Johnson:

We are pleased that you have contacted our district regarding water service for your prospective planned community development consisting of approximately 6,240 acres, with approximately 5,000 acres now residing within District boundaries. Our irrigation district was formed in the early 1900's and is a non-profit governmental agency, operating under and by virtue of Division 11 of the California Water Code. It is operated for the full benefit of the lands and people within its boundaries. At present, we do not deliver water for domestic use, although we do have this power pursuant to Sections 22075 and 22076 of Division 11 of the California Water Code.

Our district contains approximately 12,000 to 15,000 irrigable acres, with approximately 17,500 total acres within its boundaries, including approximately 5,000 acres of the Mountain House Community Project, which we understand is proposed for development by Trimark Communities. We are willing to cooperate with you in the development of a water supply for your Mountain House Community Project, subject to the district's rules and regulations which are in effect and as may be amended by the board of directors from time to time. The rules and regulations are adopted pursuant to Water Code Section 22257 and currently govern the operation, maintenance, repair and replacement of our existing district distribution facilities.

To the extent land within the district boundaries is taken out of agricultural use due to this urban development plan by Trimark Communities, the district shall in accordance with California law, make every effort to put water previously designated for agricultural use to municipal, domestic, or industrial use in accordance with current district rules and regulations. To the extent that approximately 1,240 acres within Trimark lie outside of district boundaries, we would propose that at some future time consistent with Trimark's development and this district's water service to those portions of Trimark's project within our boundaries, that such acreage be considered for annexation to the district. We EXHBIT "C" PG 1 OF 2

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also plan to continue fully developing the beneficial use of the district's source of supply and explore additional sources of water to the extent practical for Mountain House and all customers within the district, regardless of the nature of their water use, pursuant to Los Vaqueros project, or some other local storage project. It is our present belief that through these means, it will be possible to meet the needs of the Trimark/Mountain House Project for future water service as well as our remaining district water users.

Our willingness to cooperate in providing water for domestic, municipal and/or industrial use would be subject to the following principles:

- 1. That sufficient water is available to the district to meet the need of the Mountain House Project without interfering in any way with a full supply of water for all remaining agricultural water uses within the district, including but not limited to, full compliance with the provisions of our enabling legislation contained within Division 11 of the California Water Code.
- 2. That all of the costs in providing water for Mountain House Project, including but not limited to, planning, obtaining approvals by other public entities, construction and delivery, be born by the Mountain House Project and not by the district or by remaining district taxpayers and water users.
- 3. That continued agricultural water service to portions of land within district boundaries which are not developed for urban, municipal or industrial use, will remain physically and economically viable.
- 4. That all necessary written contracts shall be prepared and entered into with Trimark Communities, Mountain House Development, or such other entity which is proper to provide the necessary services.

We look forward to working with you.

Very truly yours,

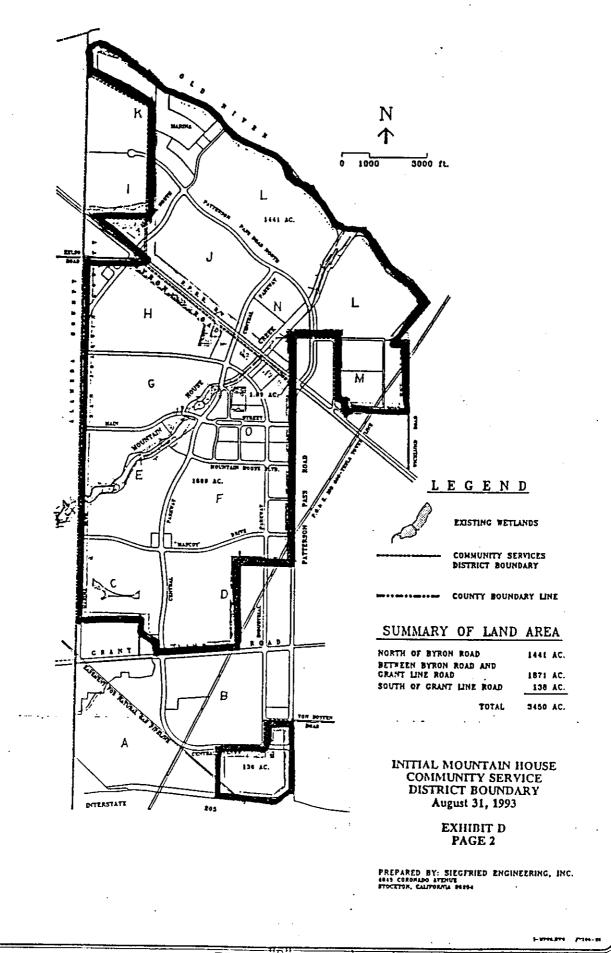
BYRON-BETHANY IRRIGATION DISTRICT

JOHN J. CARVALHO, President

cc: William H. Baber III Jeanne M. Zolezzi William Barden Polly Boissevain Neil Cline

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