

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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**FROM:** Executive Office

**SUBMITTAL DATE:**  
July 25, 2006

**SUBJECT:** Resolution 2006-308 Endorsing Proposition 84: The Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006.

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors adopt the attached resolution supporting Proposition 84: The Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006, and direct the Executive Office and the Board's Sacramento representatives to further the Board's position.

Departmental Concurrence

**BACKGROUND:** If approved by the voters, Proposition 84: The Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006, would provide \$5.4 billion for a wide range of water and resource-related programs and projects throughout the state. The Coachella Valley would specifically benefit from \$36 million to the Coachella Valley Mountains Conservancy (CVMC) for land acquisition, which would support the Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP). The state and federal governments are responsible for conserving 31,250 acres under the MSHCP. If approved by the voters, the Proposition 84 allocation for the CVMC would contribute to the state and federal obligation under the MSHCP. The measure also includes \$47 million for Salton Sea restoration and \$400 million in grants for local and regional parks.

Proposition 84 has already been endorsed locally by various groups including the Salton Sea Authority and the Coachella Valley Water District.

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Deputy County Executive Officer

<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b>	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$	In Current Year Budget:
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$	Budget Adjustment:
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$	For Fiscal Year:

<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS:</b>	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:**

**APPROVE**

**County Executive Office Signature**

*[Handwritten Signature]*

- Policy
- Policy
- Consent
- Consent

Dep't Recomm.:  
Per Exec. Ofc.:

Prev. Agn. Ref.:

District: 4

Agenda Number:

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**COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE RESOLUTION NO. 2006-308**

**SUPPORTING PROPOSITION 84: THE SAFE DRINKING WATER, WATER QUALITY AND SUPPLY, FLOOD CONTROL, RIVER AND COASTAL PROTECTION, BOND ACT OF 2006**

**WHEREAS**, California is facing challenges on many fronts, including enormous population growth in the coming years, with 25 million new residents expected by 2040; and

**WHEREAS**, California's investments in infrastructure, especially clean and safe drinking water, natural resources and coastal protection, are not keeping pace with our population growth; and

**WHEREAS**, Voters have passed a series of resource bond measures since 1996 to support critical program areas including water quality and supply, flood control, state and local parks projects, pollution control projects and air pollution mitigation to fill the enormous backlog of resource infrastructure needs in California; and

**WHEREAS**, Current bond funds will run out as early as 2006 and critical programs will go unfunded and new challenges, combined with a growing population demand, will require more investments now to stay ahead of the curve; and

**WHEREAS**, Current funding for natural resources and environmental protection programs is critically low, making up less than 1% of the overall state budget; and

**WHEREAS**, Proposition 84, a \$5.4 billion bond measure slated for the November 2006 statewide ballot, would provide critically needed funding to ensure the availability of safe drinking water, improve local water supply reliability, strengthen flood protection, and preserve California's natural landscapes, including parks, lakes, rivers, beaches, bays, ocean and coastline; and

**WHEREAS**, Proposition 84 is supported by a broad coalition of interests – water districts, conservation and environmental groups, local government entities, museum and park interests, elected officials and civic organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, We must make further investments now to ensure that all Californians will have access to safe drinking water, will be better protected from floods and will continue to have opportunities to enjoy natural landscapes, including our parks, forests, rivers, lakes, streams, beaches, bays and coastline;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, The County of Riverside hereby Supports Proposition 84: The Clean Water, Parks and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside during its regularly scheduled meeting on this \_\_\_\_ day of July, 2006.

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Bob Buster, Chairman

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Board