RESOLUTION
of
UPPER COLORADO RIVER COMMISSION
re: Cooperative Snow Survey and Water Supply Forecasting
Program of the Soil Conservation Service
of the Department of Agriculture

WHEREAS, for several years the Soil Conservation Service, U.S.
Department of Agriculture, has been the lead agency in the Cooperative
Snow Survey and Water Supply Forecasting Program in the eleven
western mountain States; and

WHEREAS, in addition to having responsibility for measuring
precipitation and water content of the snowpack on hundreds of snow
courses, the Soil Conservation Service has provided a control data
receiving and information disseminating system for the entire Western
United States, parts of Canada, and the Republic of Mexico; and

WHEREAS, the information from the Cooperative Snow Survey
and Water Supply Forecasting Program is invaluable to a wide spec­
trum of interests, including water users, such as: industry, munici­
palities, hydro-power generating agencies, domestic water suppliers, and
irrigated agriculture; and

WHEREAS, the National Administration through the U.S. De­
partment of Agriculture proposes to phase out the cooperative Snow
Survey and Water Supply Forecasting Program in the Western United
States over the next three years starting in fiscal year 1980; and

WHEREAS, if the western States are required to formulate and
execute snow survey and water supply forecasting programs, more than
likely not based upon common parameters, there would be a confusion
of uncoordinated, unreliable, controversial programs in which there
would be a lack of confidence by users of the snow survey data and
water supply forecasts; and

WHEREAS, because of the widespread use of the information
obtained from the Cooperative Snow Survey and Water Supply Forecasting
Program, including users in all the Western United States and
parts of Canada and the Republic of Mexico, it is imperative that a
single, competent, cooperative agency perform and coordinate this
west-wide program which is in the best interests of the nation as well
as the region:

NOW, THEREFORE:
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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Upper Colorado River Commission in its adjourned regular meeting convened in Farmington, New Mexico on this 25th day of May 1979, that it hereby recommends that the Cooperative Snow Survey and Water Supply Forecasting Program be continued as a federal program administered by the Soil Conservation Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director of the Upper Colorado River Commission is hereby directed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the President of the United States, Secretary of Agriculture, Administrator of the Soil Conservation Service, State Directors of the Soil Conservation Service in the western States, Governors and Congressional Delegations of the member States of the Upper Colorado River Commission, and to other interested entities.

CERTIFICATE

I, IVAL V. GOSLIN, Executive Director of the Upper Colorado River Commission, do hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Upper Colorado River Commission at the Adjourned Regular Meeting held in Farmington, New Mexico on May 25, 1979.

WITNESS my hand this 29th day of May, 1979.

IVAL V. GOSLIN
Executive Director