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APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS AT THEIR MEETING

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REGIONAL WATER RESOURCES ASSISTANCE PROGRAM,  
1983-84, REQUEST FOR MAPPING

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners recognizes the need for detailed contour mapping of the major drainage basins in Orange County; and

WHEREAS, the Cypress Creek Drainage Basin and Reedy Creek Drainage Basin are located within the boundaries of the South Florida Water Management District; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 373 of the Florida Statutes, known as the Florida Resources Act of 1972, identifies the South Florida Water Management District and delegates certain authority and responsibility to that District concerning water resources in the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, Orange County has initiated a study in this sub-basin which is currently ongoing; and

WHEREAS, the study encompasses water quality and water quantity and is generally in conformance with the objectives and goals of the South Florida Water Management District; and

WHEREAS, detailed photogrammetric mapping would greatly enhance the ongoing effort of Orange County for a detailed study of the drainage basin;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of County Commissioners urges the South Florida Water Management District to provide funds in the amount necessary to continue mapping for the Cypress Creek Drainage Basin and Reedy Creek Drainage Basin and complete this important project.

The citizens of Orange County have paid taxes to the Water Management District for years with little in direct benefit. This mapping program offers the District an opportunity to be a partner with this county in providing usable information which is urgently needed in this rapidly growing area. The continuation of this project will be a signal to the property owners of this county that the District is concerned about their problems and is not simply looking on them as a revenue source for construction projects and programs elsewhere in the District.

This Commission had viewed the mapping program as a welcome change in the apparently long-standing District philosophy of securing funds from this area but spending them elsewhere. While we have recognized the need for downstream improvements and conservation areas, the disparity of taxes paid and direct benefits received have been marked and of real concern in Orange County for years. This mapping program is a specific example of District cooperation which is badly needed in this area, and we most strongly request that the District proceed with the program.

DULY ADOPTED in regular session this 1st day of November, 1983.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF  
ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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LOU TREADWAY, CHAIRMAN

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