

RESOLUTION NO. 224

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CONCEPT OF THE REGIONAL WATER SYSTEM AND AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT'S MANAGER TO PURSUE NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE CITY OF WENATCHEE AND THE CHELAN PUD TO FORMALIZE PARTICIPATION OF THE EAST WENATCHEE WATER DISTRICT IN THE REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the East Wenatchee Water District Commissioners are concerned about providing an adequate supply and good quality water for the District in the future, and

WHEREAS, the District is expanding, and needs additional water, is concerned as to whether adequate water can be guaranteed from known sources of water, and

WHEREAS, the cost of water from new sources has been evaluated by the District's engineer and the Regional System is estimated to cost the District customer \$25.00 per year more in 1985 than if the water comes from an independent well source, and

WHEREAS, water from all existing sources other than the Regional Supply is known to be very hard (in excess of 200 parts per million) thus, damaging pipes and making it necessary for users to install and maintain water softeners at an estimated minimum cost of from \$60 to \$140 per year per user, and

WHEREAS, the use of sodium salt water softeners is considered a hazard to the health of some people with peculiar health problems, and

WHEREAS, the water from the Regional source has been tested at the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services Laboratory to be not hard water (between 82 - 92 PPM) and many people would not need or want a water softener for this quality water, and

WHEREAS, with increased government requirements on water quality which will very likely make it necessary to chlorinate all domestic water in the future the Regional System will have expertise and be able to exert quality control, and

WHEREAS, the Citizens Committee to study the Regional Water System was composed of six community leaders who studied the proposal in detail and recommended that the Regional System be pursued, and

WHEREAS, the East Wenatchee Chamber of Commerce has specifically endorsed the Regional Water System, and

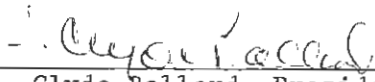
WHEREAS, the financing of the Regional System will be handled by the City of Wenatchee and without this assistance the District would have a difficult time financing expansion of the existing system, and

WHEREAS, the State of Washington DSHS has expressed a policy of preferring Regional Systems as recipients of grant money and it appears the Regional System as proposed will receive more than \$3,000,000 in grant funds,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED the East Wenatchee Water District Commissioners join with the Chelan County Public Utility District and the City of Wenatchee in developing the Regional Water System as set forth in the application having been submitted to the Department of

Social and Health Services for the development of said system. The commitment to joining the system would be contingent on the necessary financing being finalized as proposed, and the necessary contracts and or agreements being signed by all parties concerned,

ADOPTED, unanimously this 8th day of November 1977, by the Board of Commissioners of the East Wenatchee Water District, Douglas County, Washington at a special meeting thereof.



J. Clyde Ballard, President

ATTEST:



Walt Hampton, Secretary

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