

FAMILY WATER ALIANCE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Resolution No. 2007-1

A Resolution Opposing the Cortina Band
of Wintun Indians' Landfill Project

AS A BASIS AND PREMISE for this Resolution, the Board of Directors of Family Water Alliance finds and states as follows:

1. **WHEREAS**, the Cortina Bank of Wintun Indians has sought and received approval from the US Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, for a lease for the development and operation of a landfill with a capacity of 15 million tons of municipal waste on approximately 430 acres of the Cortina Indian Rancheria, within the boundaries of Colusa County, but outside of its regulatory jurisdiction; and
2. **WHEREAS**, this project proponents proceed over the objections of the residents of Colusa County, as evidenced by a November, 1998 Colusa County initiative that overwhelmingly rejected the creation of any new solid waste landfills within Colusa County; and
3. **WHEREAS**, the project site is located at the headwaters of a critical stream with the potential to contaminate waters of the state, as well as waters of the United States; and
4. **WHEREAS**, the project has the potential to negatively impact and/or contaminate groundwater aquifers recharged on lands on and around the project site; and
5. **WHEREAS**, the project provides great risk of negative impacts and contamination of the waters being conveyed in the Tehama-Colusa Canal due to surface water runoff and/or due to the transportation of waste to the proposed project that must cross over and/or come within close proximity to Cortina Creek; and
6. **WHEREAS**, it has been concluded by certain County staff and citizens that the impacts of this project cannot be mitigated by the measures that have been proposed; and

7. **WHEREAS**, the water resources used by Colusa County are a vital local asset serving agriculture, business, the environment, and the general health and welfare of the entire community, and cannot and should not be compromised by this project;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED, ADJUDGED and ORDAINED that:

The Board of Directors of Family Water Alliance hereby declares its unequivocal opposition to the construction of a solid waste landfill on the Cortina Rancheria.

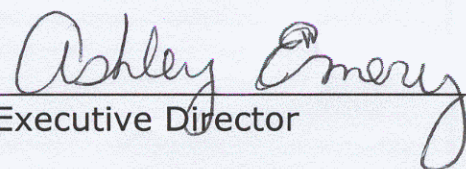
PASSED AND ADOPTED at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors on October 23, 2007 by the following vote:

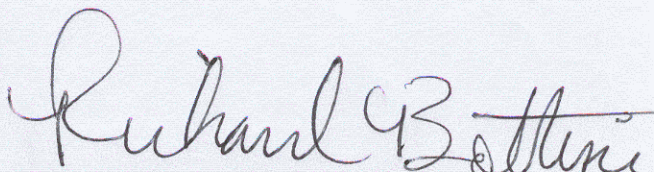
AYES: John Amaro; Cliff Liddy; Lee McCorkle; Mary Gordon; Gary Teragawa; Susan Sutton; Ray Davis, Jr.; Vicki Murphy; Kalyn Lewis; and Rich Bottini

NOES: None

ABSENT: Joe Carrancho; Bud Caldwell, *Francis Hickel*; *Jerry Davies*

ATTEST:


Executive Director


Chairman of the Board