Resolution 2005-5

OF THE

SOUTHWEST KANSAS GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Southwest Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 3 (District) has prepared a proposed 2006 budget to finance operations of the District for the ensuing fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, a proposed 2006 budget was presented to the constituents of the District at its 30^{th} Annual Meeting on February 23, 2005; and

WHEREAS, a proposed 2006 budget was again submitted to the eligible voters of the District at a public hearing on July 13, 2005, and

WHEREAS, all relevant testimony and information was solicited and considered; and

WHEREAS, the Board recognized the interests of the District water users directly impacted by the provisions of the Arkansas River Compact between the state of Kansas and the state of Colorado and passed resolution 2005-4 at their regularly scheduled meeting on June 8, 2005, which proposed a 2006 Arkansas River Water Conservation Projects Fund Budget in the amount of \$15,500,000 to be administered through the Southwest Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 3 2006 Budget as necessary for water conservation rojects provided for in K.S.A. 82a-1801 et. seq.,

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Directors of the Southwest Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 3 that a 2006 General Fund Budget in the amount of \$1,158,170.00 be established and supported by the approximate assessments of \$0.05 (5 cents) per acre of qualified land and \$0.10 (10 cents) per acre-foot of qualified water use within the District; and to add as a fund separate from the General Fund, an Arkansas River Water Conservation Projects Fund in the amount of \$15,500,000; and

FURTHER, be it resolved that it is considered to be in the public interest that a 2006 Water Rights Retirement Fund be established in the amount of \$25,000,000 as a separate fund from the District General fund and administered by the Southwest Kansas Groundwater Management District for the purpose of receiving revenue from any source in the form of gifts, grants, or allocations for the retirement of water rights within the District in accordance with the Management Program.

Adopted this 13th day of July, 2005

Mike McNiece, President

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Mike O'Brate, Treasurer