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STATE OF CALIFORNIA STATE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

In the Matter of:)	DOCKET NO. 84-AFC-6C
THE SYCAMORE COGENERATION PROJECT))))	ORDER APPROVING PURCHASE OF KIT FOX HABITAT BY THE CALIFORNIA NATURE CONSERVANCY

Based on the record of this proceeding and the comments presented at the hearing on December 12, 1990, the Commission finds the following:

- 1. Pursuant to the Commission Final Decision in this matter and Biological Resources Condition 5 of that Decision, the Commission must approve all proposals to purchase habitat using monies from the Sycamore-San Joaquin Kit Fox Preserve Fund. Condition 5 provides that the fund be used "for the purchase of suitable acreage for kit fox habitat preservation and to cover related administrative, site improvement and site protection costs."
- 2. The California Nature Conservancy, a non-profit tax exempt conservation organization that acquires and manages habitat of rare and endangered species, has proposed five additional parcels as nature preserve locations in the Semitropic Ridge area of Kern County for acquisition approval. The Nature Conservancy, in a proposal dated November 8, 1990 has proposed parcels totalling 461.97 acres at a total purchase price of \$138,591. The proposal also requires \$41,577 for land management and habitat enhancement, and \$13,860 for administrative overhead. The total requested from the fund is \$194,028.

3. The biology armittee, created by the Commission Decision in this matter to advise the Commission on the acceptability of parcels, has recommended approval of this proposal. The biology committee agrees that these parcels meet the criteria of the Commission Decision and that these parcels will help to preserve

Therefore, the Commission hereby orders the following:

- A. The proposal from the California Nature Conservancy dated November 8, 1990, attached hereto as Exhibit A, for the purchase of 641.97 acres at a price of \$138,591 is hereby approved.
- B. The land management and habitat enhancement costs in the amount of \$41,577 is hereby approved.
- C. The administrative overhead costs of \$13,860 is hereby approved.
- D. The monies shall be used by the California Nature Conservancy in accordance with their proposal, Exhibit A attached.

BARBARA CROWLEY, VICE CHAIR

and protect the kit fox.

DATED: December 12, 1990

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