Association of State Dam Safety Officials

Resolution No. 4-91

Endorsement of the National Watershed Coalition's Recommendations to Strengthen the USDA Soil Conservation Service's Dam Safety Program

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Soil Conservation Service (SCS), has constructed many dams and has played and continues to play a key role in the operation, maintenance, rehabilitation, and repair of these dams throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Soil Conservation Service continues to do an excellent job in carrying out its present duties to provide assistance and training to the owners of these dams; and

WHEREAS, many of these dams are in need of rehabilitation and/or repair due to changing standards, downstream development, or aging with no federal funding available or authority for the SCS to perform such tasks; and

WHEREAS, the National Watershed Coalition recognizes this problem and is working to solve it through a list of recommended actions (attached);

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Association of State Dam Safety Officials (ASDSO), meeting in National Conference in San Diego, California this 1st day of October, 1991, unanimously endorses the efforts of the National Watershed Coalition and encourages Congress and the President to adopt policies to provide SCS with the authority and necessary funding to bring these structures up to present standards.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be furnished to the National Watershed Coalition, to all members of Congress, and to the President.

Adopted: October 1, 1991

Dan Roger Lawrence, ASDSO President