ARTICLE 65

SEC. 21-65  SURFACE DOMESTIC WATER SOURCE MITIGATION AND REIMBURSEMENT.

65.1  Purpose:  It is the policy of Lake County that all possible significant or adverse impacts to surface domestic water sources from all major developments be mitigated in a manner wherein the costs are shared equitably by all those who cause the impacts.  To accomplish this goal, this Article establishes a method by which use permit holders, who are required to carry out a complete mitigation measure as a condition of approval for their project, are reimbursed by subsequent use permit holders who, but for the already implemented mitigation measures would have caused a significant impact to domestic surface water sources.

65.2  Mitigation:  There may be imposed by the Planning Commission, or the Board of Supervisors on appeal, as a condition of approval of a use permit, or as a mitigation measure in connection with a determination under the California Environmental Quality Act a requirement that the applicant implement mitigation measures to mitigate possible significant or adverse impacts to domestic surface water sources.

65.3  Reimbursement:  When in the judgement of the Planning Commission, or the Board of Supervisors on appeal, a proposed use permit would have had a possible significant adverse impact on a domestic surface water source, except that as a condition of a previous use permit mitigation measures have been previously implemented, the Planning Commission, or the Board of Supervisors on appeal, shall impose as a condition of approval, a requirement that the use permit applicant reimburse the use permit holder who originally implemented the mitigation measures in an amount which bears a reasonable relationship to the project’s respective share of impact on the domestic water source.