



**SAN JOAQUIN**  
— COUNTY —  
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## Department of Public Works

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October 4, 2019

Board of Supervisors  
44 North San Joaquin Street, Suite 627  
Stockton, California 95202

Dear Board Members:

**APPROVE A LOCAL PROJECT SPONSOR AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN CONTRA COSTA WATER DISTRICT, MADERA COUNTY, MERCED IRRIGATION DISTRICT, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY, SAN LUIS AND DELTA-MENDOTA WATER AUTHORITY, STANISLAUS COUNTY, REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY, AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE COALITION FOR WATER FOR THE PROPOSITION 1 DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM (ALL DISTRICTS)**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors, by Board Order:

1. Approve a Local Project Sponsor Agreement (Agreement) by and between Contra Costa Water District, Madera County, Merced Irrigation District, San Joaquin County, San Luis and Delta-Mendota Water Authority, Stanislaus County, Regional Water Authority, and the Environmental Justice Coalition for Water for the Proposition 1 Disadvantaged Community Involvement Grant Program; and,
2. Authorize and direct the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to sign the Agreement on behalf of the County; and,
3. Authorize the Director of Public Works or his designee to execute all documents related to the Agreement.

**REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION:**

Proposition 1, which was approved by California voters, authorized \$510 million in Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) grant funds to advance integrated, multi-benefit regional water projects. The Disadvantaged Community Involvement Program (DACIP) was one of the programs authorized under Proposition 1, which requires the Department of Water Resources

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(DWR) to expend no less than \$51 million (10 percent) Statewide for the purpose of ensuring involvement of Disadvantaged Communities (DACs), Economically Distressed Areas (EDAs), or underrepresented communities in IRWM planning efforts. These funds have been allocated by the state legislature on a funding area basis, and the San Joaquin River Hydrologic Region (SJRHR) has been allocated \$3.1 million. A map of the SJRHR is included as Attachment A.

The Local Project Sponsors, who are member agencies of various IRWM groups in the SJRHR, including Contra Costa Water District (CCWD), Madera County, Merced Irrigation District, San Joaquin County (County), San Luis and Delta Mendota Water Authority, Stanislaus County, Regional Water Authority, and the Environmental Justice Coalition for Water, have allocated these funds among themselves and are responsible to implement the DACIP within their respective jurisdictional areas. The sharing of grant funds was based on the number of projects that benefit DACs within each IRWM area and the readiness of the Local Project Sponsors to implement the DACIP projects.

On behalf of the Local Project Sponsors, CCWD submitted a proposal for the DACIP grant. On January 31, 2019, DWR and CCWD entered into Agreement No. 4600012737 (Grant Agreement, Attachment B) awarding CCWD a DACIP grant for \$3,100,000, to be expended from January 31, 2019 through July 31, 2022. In accordance with Paragraph 5 of the Grant Agreement, CCWD is to assign Local Project Sponsors to act on behalf of CCWD for the purposes of implementing the DACIP grant work plan within their respective jurisdictional areas.

CCWD has assigned to the County the Eastern San Joaquin Regional Planning Project (Project), which has been allocated \$148,000. The Project is a multi-pronged outreach and education approach that will be performed to increase DAC engagement in IRWM efforts in the Eastern San Joaquin sub-region. Grant funds will be used to develop projects that benefit DACs and may include California Environmental Quality Act documentation, design alternative analyses, and/or permitting. Potential projects plans could include design of drainage improvements for the community of Victor, a DAC that will likely need to reconfigure its drainage system in the near future to accommodate upcoming improvements to the North San Joaquin Water Conservation District facilities that the community currently utilizes, or improvements to the County Service Area 12 water system to reduce the impacts of high concentrations of manganese, which causes undesirable color, odor, and taste. In order for the County to receive grant funds from DWR via CCWD to implement the Project, the County must enter into a Local Project Sponsor Agreement with CCWD.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

Through the Agreement, the County will receive grant funds in the amount of \$148,000. Any

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consultant costs to execute and administer the Project will be paid with grant funds. Staff cost associated with the Project will be funded through the 2019-2020 Water Investigation Zone No. 2 special district budget. There are no net County costs associated with the recommended actions.

ACTION TO BE TAKEN FOLLOWING APPROVAL:

Following the execution of the Agreement, staff will coordinate with CCWD and implement the Project.

Sincerely,



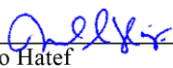
KRIS BALAJI, PMP, P.E.  
Director of Public Works

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c: Board Clerk  
October 22, 2019 Agenda

Reviewed by County Administrator's Office:

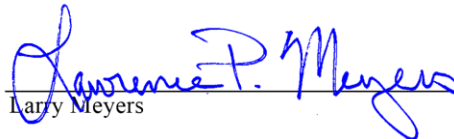
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