

RESOLUTION NO. WA-2020-01

AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THAT APPLICATION BE MADE TO OBTAIN A GRANT UNDER THE SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT GRANT PROGRAM'S PLANNING GRANT – ROUND 3 AND TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES TO RECEIVE A GRANT FOR THE PROP 68 ROUND 3 PLANNING GRANT

WHEREAS, in 2014, the California Legislature passed and the Governor signed Senate Bills 1168 and 1319 and Assembly Bill 1739, known collectively as the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act of 2014 (SGMA); and,

WHEREAS, SGMA requires all high- and medium-priority groundwater Basins, as designated by the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) in Bulletin 118, to be managed under a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP); and,

WHEREAS, SGMA requires a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) be developed and implemented for each medium- or high-priority basin by a Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) or combination of GSA's; and,

WHEREAS, the Indio Subbasin, DWR Basin No. 7-21.01 has been designated by DWR as a medium-priority basin; and,

WHEREAS, the Coachella Water Authority has formed the Coachella Water Authority Groundwater Sustainability Agency (CWA GSA) in accordance with SGMA; and,

WHEREAS the combined boundaries of the Coachella Valley Water District GSA, Desert Water Agency GSA, Indio Water Authority GSA, and Coachella Water Authority GSA cover the entire Indio Subbasin; and,

WHEREAS, the California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection and Outdoor Access For All Act of 2019 (Proposition 68) was passed by the voters of California on June 5, 2018 to provide grants for the development and implementation of groundwater plans and projects; and,

WHEREAS, the CWA GSA is eligible to apply for funding under Proposition 68.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Coachella Water Authority Groundwater Sustainability Agency, as follows:

1. That application be made by the Coachella Valley Water District GSA, on behalf of the Coachella Water Authority GSA, to the California Department of Water Resources to obtain a grant under the 2019 Sustainable Groundwater Management (SGM) Grant Program Planning – Round 3 Grant pursuant to the 2018 California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access For All Act (Proposition 68) (Pub. Resources Code, § 80000 et seq.), and if such grant funding is awarded, to enter into an agreement on behalf of the Indio Subbasin GSAs to receive said grant funds to be used in the manner described in the grant application titled, "**Prop 68 Round 3 Planning Grant**".

2. The Coachella Valley Water District GSA is hereby authorized and directed to compile the necessary data and investigations, file such application, and if grant funds are awarded to execute the

grant agreement and all documents related to the grant agreement with California Department of Water Resources.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 22nd day of January, 2020.

Steven A. Hernandez
President

ATTEST:

Angela M. Zepeda
Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Carlos Campos
Attorney

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE) ss.
CITY OF COACHELLA)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution No. WA-2020-01 was duly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Coachella Water Authority at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 22nd day of January, 2020, by the following vote of the Board:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Andrea J. Carranza
Deputy City Clerk