

**RESOLUTION NO. DR-2024-01**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE DILLON ROAD JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF COACHELLA RELINQUISH AUTHORITY AS THE LEAD AGENCY UNDER THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT FOR THE HIGHWAY BRIDGE PROGRAM FUNDS, PROJECT NO. 5294-(018), AND DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO THE TWENTY NINE PALMS BAND OF MISSION INDIANS TO ACT AS LEAD AGENCY FOR THE HIGHWAY BRIDGE PROGRAM FUNDS, PROJECT NO. 5294(018) INCLUDING ADMINISTRATION OF ALL CONTRACTS AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES THEREIN.**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors of the Dillon Road Joint Powers Authority (“Board of Directors”) desire to advance The Dillon Road Bridge Replacement over the Coachella Valley Stormwater Channel Project (Project) listed as Project 5294-(018) with the State of California Highway Bridge Program (“HBP”); and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors had previously authorized and empowered the City of Coachella (“City”) to utilize its Local Code (“Locode”) for applying for HBP funds, and be the applicant and administrator for HBP funds; and ,

**WHEREAS**, Consistent with the authority empowered upon the City, the City has successfully secured HBP funds for the project and completed a final NEPA document for the advancement of the project; and,

**WHEREAS**, during the Project Approval and Environmental Documentation phases of the project it was determined and resolved that the bridge structure and the underlying land are the property of Twenty Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians; and,

**WHEREAS**, the State of California has passed Assembly bill 2261, which modified the State Street and Highways Code Chapter 18 such that: To the extent permitted by federal and state law, a federally recognized Native American tribe shall be eligible for federal funding for a transportation project and may be the lead agency for a transportation project that receives federal funding; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors desires to allow Twenty Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians to act as Lead Agency for the HBP funds associated with the Project in accordance with Assembly bill 2261,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DETERMINED, AND ORDERED by the Dillon Road Joint Powers Authority, as follows:**

**SECTION 1.** The Board of Directors hereby finds and determines that the foregoing recitals are true and correct, are incorporated herein and by this reference made an operative part hereof.

**SECTION 2.** The Dillon Road Joint Powers Authority hereby relinquishes the City as the CEQA lead agency for the Project, and relinquishes the authority of the City of Coachella to act as administrator of the Dillon Road bridge over the Coachella Valley Storm Water Channel, Project # 5294 (018)

**SECTION 2.** The Dillon Road Joint Powers Authority hereby designates the Twenty Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians as the appropriate CEQA lead agency for the Project, authorizes the Twenty Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians to administer the Dillon Road bridge over the Coachella Valley Storm Water Channel, Project # 5294 (018)

**SECTION 3.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the Board of Directors, and the Clerk of the Dillon Road Joint Powers Authority shall attest to and certify the vote adopting this Resolution.

**PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED** this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of October 2024.

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Darrell Mike  
Chair

**ATTEST:**

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Delia Granados  
Secretary of the Authority

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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Carlos Campos  
Authority Attorney

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

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that the foregoing Resolution No. DR-2020-01 was duly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Dillon Road Joint Powers Authority at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October 2024, by the following vote of the Authority:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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Delia Granados  
Secretary of the Authority