

RESOLUTION NO. DR-2020-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE DILLON ROAD JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY EMBRACING THE BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS (BIA) AND STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (CALTRANS) AS THE JOINT LEAD AGENCIES IN THE PREPARATION OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLIC ACT (NEPA) ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS FOR THE DILLON ROAD BRIDGE OVER COACHELLA VALLEY STORMWATER CHANNEL (CVSC) PROJECT, PROJECT # 2019-ST-109 AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF COACHELLA TO UPDATE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) DOCUMENTATION.

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Dillon Road Joint Powers Authority (“Board of Directors”) must prepare an environmental document in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (“NEPA”) for the Dillon Road Bridge over Coachella Valley Stormwater Channel (“CVSC”) Project, Project # 2019-ST-109 (“Project”).

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has determined that the Bureau of Indian Affairs (“BIA”) and the California Department of Transportation (“Caltrans”) joining forces in the preparation of environmental document is the proper approach to deliver this important Project expeditiously and to ensure public safety. The BIA shall undertake a variety of actions related to Indian reservation lands, and Caltrans will address transportation issues that require NEPA compliance.

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors embraces the BIA and Caltrans as the joint lead agencies in preparation of a single NEPA document, including the appropriate technical studies, to satisfy the requirements for any Federal approval or other Federal action required for the Project, including permits issued by other Federal agencies.

WHEREAS, the Dillon Road Joint Powers Authority (“JPA”) designates the City of Coachella (“City”) as the appropriate lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) for the Project and authorizes and empowers the City to update the previous CEQA documentation (approved in 2010) with any additional information, analysis, and documentation needed to keep the document valid and current with any new regulations.

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 approves of the BIA and Caltrans, as the joint lead agencies under NEPA, to prepare a single NEPA document, including

the appropriate technical studies, and designates the City as the appropriate lead agency under CEQA and authorizes the City to update the previously approved CEQA documentation, as needed.

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 30th day of January 2020.

Darrell Mike
Chair

ATTEST:

Andrea J. Carranza, MMC
Secretary of the Authority

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Carlos Campos
Authority Attorney

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

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution No. DR-2020-02 was duly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Dillon Road Joint Powers Authority at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 30th day of January 2020, by the following vote of the Authority:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Andrea J. Carranza, MMC
Secretary of the Authority