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**Meeting Type:** Board of Directors  
**Title:** Department of Water Resources Grant Resolutions  
**From:** Shaun Horne, Director of Watershed Resources  
**Through:** Ben Horenstein, General Manager  
**Meeting Date:** October 15, 2024

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**TYPE OF ACTION:**    X    Action                                    Information                                    Review and Refer

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve two grant resolutions for the Department of Water Resources (DWR) to support the submittal of grant applications for the proposed Spillway Repair Project and the Phoenix and Lagunitas Valves and Actuator Replacement Project

**SUMMARY:** The District continues to track and apply for state and federal grant funding opportunities that align with District programs and projects. Staff identified the Department of Water Resources Dam Safety and Climate Resilience grant program as an opportunity for various infrastructure improvement projects. The District will respond to this grant solicitation with two grant applications, one for Spillway Repair Project and one for the Phoenix and Lagunitas Valves and Actuator Replacement Project. As part of the application, the District is required to submit a grant resolution that authorizes the District to enter into a grant agreement with DWR.

**DISCUSSION:** Senate Bill 122 added Part 4, Section 6700 to the Water Code to create a new program, the Dam Safety and Climate Resilience Local Assistance Program, within DWR for the purpose of providing state funding for repairs, rehabilitation, enhancements, and other dam safety projects at existing state jurisdictional dams and associated facilities that were in service prior to January 1, 2023. In reviewing the grant program solicitation, the District identified two projects that align with the program requirements. The District is currently preparing the grant applications, which are due October 21<sup>st</sup>. The District will submit a grant proposal to advance spillway repairs that were identified in the District’s Spillway Assessment. The Spillway Repair Project application will be requesting up to \$2,000,000 for repair work at various District owned dams. The District will also submit a grant proposal to replace the valves and actuators at Phoenix and Lagunitas dams. The Valve and Actuator Project application will be requesting up to \$2,000,000 to replace the valves and actuators that are from the 1960’s at Phoenix and Lagunitas dams.

Staff is requesting that the Board of Directors consider approving the grant resolutions for the DWR Dam Safety and Climate Resilience grant proposals and authorize the General Manager to sign grant


agreements and other documents necessary for acceptance and amendments of the grant awards on behalf of the District.

**ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:** The District will complete any required review and analysis pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act prior to proceeding with the projects.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** None.

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

- 1. Spillway Repair Grant Resolution
- 2. Valve and Actuator Grant Resolution

DEPARTMENT OR DIVISION	DIVISION MANAGER	APPROVED
Watershed		
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