

**MARIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT**

**RESOLUTION NO.**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MARIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT  
AUTHORIZING ENTERING INTO GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF  
FISH AND WILDLIFE FOR LAGUNITAS CREEK COHO ENHANCEMENT PROJECT PHASE 1  
IMPLEMENTATION AND THE RECRUITMENT AND HIRING OF A NATURAL RESOURCES  
TECHNICIAN FOR A LIMITED TERM OF TWO YEARS**

**WHEREAS**, The District is committed to habitat enhancement in Lagunitas Creek and expanding on the successes of previous habitat enhancement work to support recovery of endangered coho salmon and threatened steelhead; and

**WHEREAS**, The District's *Lagunitas Creek Stewardship Plan*, generated as a condition under State Water Resources Control Board Water Rights Order 95-17, includes habitat enhancement as an action the District will lead; and

**WHEREAS**, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife Watershed Restoration Grants Program provides funds to meet the urgent need for restoration of salmonid habitat; and

**WHEREAS**, the District is currently completing final design plans, environmental compliance, and permitting for eight enhancement sites within the Phase 1 priority reach of Lagunitas Creek; and

**WHEREAS**, the District submitted an application to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife under the FY2022-23 Restoration Grant Program seeking \$4,659,898 to implement Sites 1-6 of the *Lagunitas Creek Coho Enhancement Project Phase 1*; and

**WHEREAS**, the District has been notified that it has been awarded the full amount requested, \$4,659,898, to implement Sites 1-6 of the *Lagunitas Creek Coho Enhancement Project Phase 1*; and

**WHEREAS**, the grant includes \$226,800 in funding for a Natural Resources Technician position, to be hired within the District's Fisheries Department, to assist with project implementation, compliance monitoring, and reporting; and

**WHEREAS**, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife requires the applicant's governing body to authorize, by resolution, approval of the project and grant monies. The District's Board of Directors approved The Lagunitas Creek Watershed Enhancement Plan and the Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) statutory exemption for restoration work in Lagunitas Creek at the August 15, 2023 Board of Directors Meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, the applicant will enter into a grant agreement with the State of California.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Marin Municipal Water District Board of Directors hereby:

1. Approves the Marin Municipal Water District accepting grant funds in the amount of \$4,659,898 from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife Watershed Restoration Grants Branch in order to implement *Lagunitas Creek Coho Enhancement Project Phase 1*; and
2. Authorizes District Human Resources staff to advertise and fill one Natural Resources Technician position for a limited term position of two-years; and
3. Appoints the Marin Municipal Water District General Manager or his designee as agent to conduct all negotiations and execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to applications, agreements, payment requests and/or any documents that may be necessary for the completion of the project.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 7<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2023, by the following vote of the Board of Directors.

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

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**Monty Schmitt**  
**President, Board of Directors**

**ATTEST:**

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**Terrie Gillen**  
**Board Secretary**