

# AGENDA STAFF REPORT

MEETING NAME: REGULAR BOARD MEETING

MEETING DATE(S): MAY 16 & 20, 2024

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FOR: ACTION X DIRECTION \_\_\_\_\_ INFORMATION \_\_\_\_\_



## RESOLUTION 2024-10: GRANT APPLICATION FOR PLANNING OF WEST PALM SPRINGS VILLAGE – PALM SPRINGS CREST WATER SYSTEMS BACKUP INTERTIE PROJECT

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Board adoption of Resolution No. 2024-10, approving the submission of an application for grant funding for the preliminary planning of the West Palm Springs Village – Palm Springs Crest Water Systems Backup Intertie Project.

### SUMMARY

This grant from the Bureau of Reclamation offers up to \$400,000 for designing and planning the West Palm Springs Village – Palm Springs Crest Water Systems Backup Intertie. Mission Springs Water District qualifies for a 0% cost-share due to the project's benefits for the Whitewater area, which is considered a disadvantaged community. It aims to boost resiliency and reliability by connecting the two water systems, offering mutual backup to mitigate potential well failures and operational disruptions.

### ANALYSIS

Staff recognizes the vulnerability of relying solely on the limited number of wells within the two systems in the Whitewater area. They deem it essential to establish a backup intertie between the systems as will be outlined in the District's master plan. This interconnection will ensure water supply continuity, mitigate service interruptions, and minimize impact on residents and the community.

### FISCAL IMPACT & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

The preliminary planning phase of this project totals \$287,000. If awarded, the District could receive up to the full amount from the Bureau of Reclamation. This action is consistent with the goal of Strategic Plan Smart Goal 4.3 – Maintain and renew assets while facilitating strategic Capital Improvements and is part of Smart Goal 4.3.5 – Building a connection to the main MSWD system.

### ATTACHMENTS

WaterSMART Planning Project Design NOFO  
Resolution 2024-10

FINANCIAL DATA		
Cost Associated with this action:	\$0	
Current FY cost:	\$0	
Future FY cost:	\$287,000	
Is it covered in current year budget:	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Budget adjustment needed:	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes, year needed:	N/A	
FUNDING SOURCES		
Source of funds:	Operating	
BID/Job#	TBD	
Current BID/Job balance	TBD	
Balance remaining if approved:	TBD	