# **AGENDA STAFF REPORT**

MEETING NAME: SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

**MEETING DATE(S):** MAY 19, 2025

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**FOR:** ACTION X DIRECTION INFORMATION

# RESOLUTION 2025-07: ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT AWARD FOR THE WEST PALM SPRINGS VILLAGE – PALM SPRINGS CREST WATER SYSTEMS BACKUP INTERTIE DESIGN PROJECT

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Board adoption of Resolution No. 2025-07, approving the acceptance of the award of grant funding from the Bureau of Reclamation for the preliminary planning of the West Palm Springs Village – Palm Springs Crest Water Systems Backup Intertie Project.

## **SUMMARY**

The Bureau of Reclamation has awarded Mission Springs Water District \$358,010 for the design and planning of the West Palm Springs Village – Palm Springs Crest Water Systems Backup Intertie Project. MSWD qualified for a 0% cost-share due to the project's benefits for the Whitewater area, which is considered a disadvantaged community. The project aims to boost resiliency and reliability by connecting the two water systems, offering mutual backup to mitigate potential well failures and operational disruptions.

### **ANALYSIS**

MSWD recognizes the vulnerability of relying solely on the limited number of wells within the two systems in the Whitewater area. It is essential to establish a backup intertie between the systems as outlined in the District's Water Master Plan. The next steps for this project include beginning the tasks outlined in the Milestone/Task/Activity table in the attached Bureau of Reclamation agreement so we can work towards implementation of this project.

#### FISCAL IMPACT & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

There is no cost associated with accepting this grant award, however, the preliminary planning and design phase of this project totals \$932,991 which will be requested in the FY 2026 budget request process. This action aligns with Strategic Plan Smart Goal 4.3 — Maintain and renew assets while facilitating strategic Capital Improvements.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Bureau of Reclamation Agreement No. R25AP00404 Resolution 2025-07

FINANCIAL DATA		
Cost Associated with this action:		\$0
Current FY cost:		\$0
Future FY cost:		\$932,991
Is it covered in current year budget:	YES 🗆	NO ⊠
Budget adjustment needed:	YES □	NO ⊠
If yes, year needed:		N/A
FUNDING SOURCES		
Source of funds:		Capital 201
BID/Job#		11849

\$358,010

TBD

Current BID/Job balance

Balance remaining if approved: