



LETTER OF AGREEMENT

September 26, 2022

Mr. Arden Wallum, General Manager
Mission Springs Water District
66575 Second Street
Desert Hot Springs, CA 92240

Mr. Mark Krause, General Manager
Desert Water Agency
1200 South Gene Autry Trail
Palm Springs, CA 92264

Re: Collaboration and Cost Sharing for the Mission Creek Subbasin Annual Report for Water Years 2021-2022 through 2025-2026

Dear Mr. Wallum and Mr. Krause:

This letter of agreement ("Agreement") serves as an agreement between the Mission Springs Water District, Desert Water Agency, and Coachella Valley Water District (each an "Agency" and collectively the "Agencies") for collaboration and cost sharing on the preparation of the Annual Report for the Mission Creek Subbasin required under the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) to be submitted to the California Department of Water Resources for each Water Year by April 1 ("Mission Creek Subbasin Annual Report").

This agreement covers collaboration and cost sharing for the preparation of the Mission Creek Subbasin Annual Report for Water Years 2021-2022 through 2025-2026.

For the purposes of this Agreement, the Agencies will use a qualified consulting firm selected through a competitive process to prepare the Mission Creek Subbasin Annual Report. Each Agency shall have the opportunity to participate in the selection process, including the opportunity to review and provide comments on the scope of work, score all proposals received from responding firms, and participate in all meetings and/or interviews that are part of the selection process.

Each Agency will have the opportunity to review and provide comments on the annual scope of work and proposal with budget to prepare the Mission Creek Subbasin Annual Report. Each Agency will have the opportunity to review and provide comments on the Draft Annual Report and Final Draft Annual Report which are deliverables for this project. Each Agency will be given an electronic and two hard copies of the Final Mission Creek Subbasin Annual Report, and electronic copies of all data and files used to create the report graphics and tables therein.

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The Agencies each agree to pay one-third (1/3) of the annual cost to prepare the Mission Creek Subbasin Annual Report for Water Years 2021-2022 through 2025-2026. The Agency administering the contract with the consulting firm will pay invoices per the terms of the contract. The contracting Agency will annually invoice the other two Agencies for reimbursement of their one-third (1/3) share of the payments that have been made to the consulting firm.

Any of the Agencies may withdraw from this Agreement at any time, for any reason or no reason, upon prior written notice to the remaining Agencies. If an Agency withdraws from this Agreement, the withdrawing Agency will be responsible for its share of the total cost of work contracted for, and/or initiated by, the Agencies prior to the date of the written notice of withdrawal.

Sincerely,



J.M. Barrett
General Manager
Coachella Valley Water District

ACCEPTED AND AGREED TO

This letter will constitute our agreement to the preceding terms. If this arrangement is acceptable to you on behalf of your agency, please acknowledge your agreement by signing this letter and returning a copy to us. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

Arden Wallum
General Manager
Mission Springs Water District

Date: _____

Mark Krause
General Manager
Desert Water Agency

Date: _____