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Monterey Regional Water Supply Program Planning Memorandum of Understanding

This Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as "MOU") is made and entered into as of the first day of _____, among the Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency (MRWPCA), Marina Coast Water District (MCWD), and Monterey County Water Resources Agency (MCWRA) executing below.

WHEREAS, the Monterey Regional Water Supply Program has been identified by California American Water (Cal-Am) as an alternative to the Coastal Water Project (CWP) to benefit Cities on the Monterey Peninsula, ~~the communities of northern~~ Monterey County, including agricultural interests, and the United States Army; and

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WHEREAS, the Cal-Am CWP Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) has outlined a regional project that appears to be cost effective for ratepayers, have great regional benefit, and will result in an acceptable implementation strategy; and

WHEREAS, the regional plan has demonstrated viability, acceptability, and is worthy of being evaluated technically; and

WHEREAS, the undersigned recognize that the water supply issues confronting the Monterey region are significant and require a focused technical and political effort to resolve. It is further recognized that there is an urgency to identify, adequately plan, and rapidly implement a water supply solution; and

WHEREAS, the Participating Entities' signatory to this MOU desire to cooperatively engage in water supply planning and jointly analyze the proposed project; and

WHEREAS, the Participating Entities are able to furnish financial resources and in-kind assistance in support of this MOU; and

WHEREAS, this MOU provides the most practical method to expeditiously create a leadership and management framework responsible for developing and implementing a strategy to comprehensively achieve regional water supply solutions; and

WHEREAS, Participating Entities recognize and respect that member entities retain independent control over their individual regional elements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, through this MOU, the Participating Entities desire to complete the institutional framework for the Monterey Regional Water Supply Program to meet the long-term urban water supply needs, through, a regional desal plant, and other regional project elements, for the Monterey Peninsula, ~~the communities of northern~~ Monterey County, including agricultural interests, and the United States Army; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that depending upon certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report by the Public Utilities Commission for the CWP, the Participating Entities agree to execute the following institutional agreements; 1) Brackish Water Desal Supply Wells between Marina Coast Water District and Monterey Water Resources Agency, 2) Ocean Outfall for Brine Disposal between the Marina Coastal Water District and the Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency, 3) Recycled Water for Urban Reuse between Marina Coast Water District, Monterey County Water Resources Agency and the Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that each of the Participating Entities shall contribute as soon as possible to the financial and technical resources and in-kind assistance necessary to effectively implement the scope of responsibility described above; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency, Marina Coast Water District and Monterey County Water Resources Agency shall obtain its respective Board of Directors' approval forthwith.

Monterey County Water Resource Agency

Marina Coast Water District

Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency
