
Date: December 8, 2020

Item Number: _____

Resolution Number: _____

4/5 Vote Required

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SONOMA COUNTY WATER AGENCY DETERMINING THAT THE GRANTING OF EASEMENT TO SONOMA VALLEY COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, FOR PURPOSE OF AN EXISTING INFILTRATION AND RELIEF PIPELINE, WILL NOT ADVERSELY AFFECT SONOMA WATER IN ANY RESPECT AND WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT, AND AUTHORIZING GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE GRANTING OF AN EASEMENT (4/5 VOTE REQUIRED).

Whereas, the Sonoma County Water Agency (Sonoma Water) owns certain real property located along Fryer Creek; and

Whereas, in 1978 the Sonoma Valley County Sanitation District (District) constructed an underground pipeline that diverts excess storm drain water into a parallel pipeline to reduce peak flows within its existing sewer trunk main; and

Whereas, a portion of the pipeline was constructed within Sonoma Water's Fryer Creek Channel and District has requested an easement to operate and maintain the existing underground pipeline; and

Whereas, Sonoma Water' General Manager has determined that the proposed easement to District is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) Review for Exemption, because granting of the easement to operate and maintain the sewer improvements by the District would not result in any change of existing environmental conditions and will not have a significant adverse effect on the environment; and

Whereas, Sonoma Water, has prepared a Notice of Exemption in accordance with CEQA, the State CEQA Guidelines, and Sonoma Water's Compliance Procedures for CEQA.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Board of Directors of the Sonoma County Water Agency hereby finds, determines, and declares as follows:

1. The above recitals are true and correct.
2. Based on review and consideration of information presented to the Board, the grant of easement to District will not have a significant adverse effect on the environment and the grant of easement is exempt from CEQA pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3).
3. The Board hereby finds that the grant of easement to District will not adversely affect the Sonoma Water in any respect.
4. The Board authorizes, in accordance with Section 9 of the Agency Act, and delegates authority to the Sonoma County Water Agency's General Manager to grant an easement to the City of Sonoma in the form presented to this Board.

Directors:

Rabbitt:

Zane:

Gore:

Hopkins:

Gorin:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

So Ordered.