
Date: December 14, 2021

Item Number: _____

Resolution Number: _____

☐ 4/5 Vote Required

Resolution Of The Board of Directors of the Sonoma County Water Agency (Sonoma Water) Authorizing the Water Agency's General Manager to 1) File a Grant Application for the Sonoma-Marín Saving Water Partnership Sonoma-Marín Drought Resiliency Program (Project), and that Application to be made to the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation to Obtain a 2022 WaterSMART Water and Energy Efficiency Grant Pursuant to the Presidential Executive Order (EO) 14008; 2) Execute a Grant Agreement with the US Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, and any Amendments thereto; and 3) Take all Actions Necessary to Carry Out the Project and Implement the Grant Agreement.

Whereas, the United States Department of the Interior offers financial assistance in the form of grant funding through its Bureau of Reclamation's WaterSMART (Sustain and Manage America's Resources for Tomorrow) Water and Energy Efficiency Grants Program (WEEG) for this type of project. The WaterSMART WEEG program grant funding up to a maximum of \$2,000,000, with the condition that federal grant funds are not to exceed 50% of total project costs; and

Whereas, Sonoma Water desires to apply for said grant funds for the Sonoma-Marín Saving Water Partnership Sonoma-Marín Drought Resiliency Program; and

Whereas, said procedures and criteria established by the United States Bureau of Reclamation require a resolution certifying the approval of application submission by the Sonoma Water's governing body and commitment to provide the amount of funding and/or in-kind contributions specified in the application funding plan; and

Whereas, the application contains assurances with which Sonoma Water must comply; and

Whereas, Sonoma Water, if selected will work with the Bureau of Reclamation to meet established deadlines for entering into an agreement with United States Bureau of Reclamation to carry out the Sonoma-Marín Saving Water Partnership Sonoma-Marín Drought Resiliency Program.

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

1. The General Manager of Sonoma Water, or designee, is hereby authorized to file a grant application for the Sonoma-Marín Saving Water Partnership Sonoma-Marín Drought Resiliency Program under the 2022 Water and Energy Efficiency Grant Program; and
2. The General Manager of Sonoma Water, or designee is hereby authorized to execute a grant agreement with the United States Bureau of Reclamation; and
3. The General Manager of Sonoma Water, or designee, is hereby authorized to manage the Agreement, conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents, including, but not limited to, applications, agreements, amendments, and payment requests, which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned Project, and delegate authority to others to provide management and support services required for performance of the work and administration of the Agreement.

Directors:

Gorin:

Rabbitt:

Coursey:

Gore:

Hopkins:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

So Ordered.