

RESOLUTION NO. 21-1146

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF A NOTICE OF EXEMPTION TO THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT FOR THE WELL DESTRUCTION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Water Replenishment District of Southern California (“WRD”) is a replenishment district formed pursuant to the Water Replenishment Act, California Water Code Sections 60000 et seq.;

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2019, WRD submitted a grant application entitled “Well Destruction Program” (the Project) to the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB);

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Project is to destroy five (5) inactive supply wells that may act as conduits for perchlorate, 1,4-Dioxane, tetrachloroethene (PCE), and trichloroethene (TCE) contaminated groundwater and impact drinking water supply wells in WRD’s service area;

WHEREAS, the SWRCB provided a preliminary funding award for the Project in a letter dated October 18, 2019. The grant award was preliminary and conditional on the successful negotiation of an agreement with the SWRCB;

WHEREAS, a fully executed grant agreement was signed by WRD on June 4, 2020 and the SWRCB on June 16, 2020;

WHEREAS, WRD is required to prepare, circulate, and certify necessary CEQA documents pursuant to the grant agreement;

WHEREAS, WRD has determined the Project is not expected to require any variances or implicate any unusual circumstances;

WHEREAS, WRD has determined that the Project is ministerial pursuant to Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15369, as no special judgment or discretion is required because the Project is subject to fixed standards and objective measurements;

WHEREAS, WRD has met the environmental compliance requirements of item 3.1.1 of the grant agreement;

WHEREAS, WRD has received confirmation from the Project Manager confirming the SWRCB concurs that implementation may proceed;

WHEREAS, upon determining that Project is exempt from CEQA, the District is entitled to file a Notice of Exemption with the County Clerk pursuant to the requirements set forth in California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 15062.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the Project is approved and WRD or its designee may take all necessary action to proceed consistent with this Resolution; and
2. That the Board of Directors of the Water Replenishment District of Southern California hereby authorizes the General Manager (Authorized Representative) or designee to sign and file, for and on behalf of WRD, a notice of exemption to the California Environmental Quality Act for the Project.

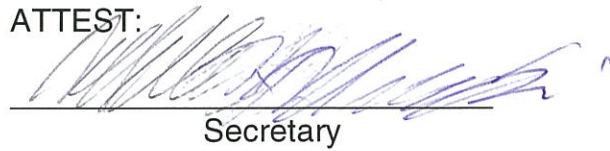
Passed, adopted and approved at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Water Replenishment District of Southern California on February 4, 2021.

AYES: 4
NOES: 0
ABSENT: 1
ABSTAIN: 0

WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT OF
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA



President, Board of Directors

ATTEST:


Secretary

02/04/2021
Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Leal, Trejo LLP, Attorneys for the Water
Replenishment District of Southern California