

## RESOLUTION NO. 21-1155

### **A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR AND EXECUTION OF A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES BUREAU OF RECLAMATION FOR THE 2021 WATERSMART GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE REGIONAL BRACKISH PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Water Replenishment District of Southern California (the "Board") has initiated the Regional Brackish Water Reclamation Program to provide a collaborative and cost-effective solution for remediation and beneficial use of the brackish plume in the West Coast Basin; and

WHEREAS, the United States Bureau of Reclamation ("Reclamation") established the WaterSMART program to obtain Federal and non-Federal funding to support stakeholder efforts to stretch scarce water supplies and avoid conflicts over water; and

WHEREAS, Reclamation has released a new funding opportunity R21AS00428 ("Funding Opportunity") for WaterSMART desalination construction projects under the WIIN Act; and

WHEREAS, Reclamation previously approved the Water Replenishment District of Southern California's ("WRD") Regional Brackish Water Reclamation Program Feasibility Study which confers eligibility to apply for this Funding Opportunity; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Brackish Water Reclamation Program meets the criteria required to be eligible for this Funding Opportunity and WRD desires to submit an application for consideration.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA HEREBY FINDS, RESOLVES, DETERMINES, AND ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the District has reviewed the Funding Opportunity and approves the filing of an Application for the Funding Opportunity and commits to the financial and legal obligations associated with receipt of a financial assistance award under this Funding Opportunity including all matching funds to be provided by WRD.
2. Appoints and authorizes the General Manager as legal agent to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents, including, but not limited to, applications, agreements, payment

requests and other items, for compliance with the Funding Opportunity.

3. WRD will work with Reclamation to meet established deadlines for entering into a grant or cooperative agreement.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS

4<sup>th</sup> DAY OF May, 2021.

AYES:3  
NOES:0  
ABSENT:2  
ABSTAIN:0



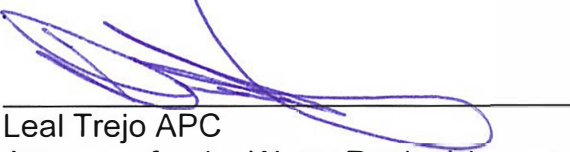
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President, Board of Directors

ATTEST:



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Secretary, Board of Directors

Approved as to form:



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