## **RESOLUTION NO. SCV-272**

## RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY AWARDING A CONTRACT TO PACIFIC HYDROTECH CORPORATION FOR THE EARL SCHMIDT FILTRATION PLANT (ESFP) WASHWATER RETURN AND SLUDGE SYSTEMS PROJECT

**WHEREAS**, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (Agency) owns and operates the Earl Schmidt Filtration Plant (ESFP) located in the Castaic area of Los Angeles County; and

WHEREAS, ESFP is a critical component of the Agency's water treatment facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, an upgrade to the existing washwater return and sludge collection systems at ESFP is required to meet operational flexibility and State Division of Drinking Water requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, as the CEQA Lead Agency, filed a Notice of Exemption with the State Clearinghouse on March 20, 2017, and the County of Los Angeles on March 17, 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, The Project, aka the whole of the action, qualifies for an exemption under CEQA guidelines Section 15301 Class 1 Minor Alterations to Existing Facilities because it is a minor alteration of an existing public facility and it concerns proposed new mechanical equipment involving negligible or no expansion of use, i.e. no additional extraction of water, beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination; and

WHEREAS, The Project, aka the whole of the action, also qualifies for an exemption under CEQA guidelines section 15303 Class 3 New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures because the project construction is limited to construction within SCV Water's existing facility property; and

**WHEREAS**, none of the exceptions listed in Section 15300.2 of the CEQA Guidelines would apply to the action; and

**WHEREAS**, no further CEQA documentation is necessary for the Board to act with regards to the proposed actions; and

WHEREAS, all bid proposals submitted to the Agency pursuant to the Agency's specifications (Project No. 1000251) for procurement of the construction of the Earl Schmidt Filtration Plant (ESFP) Washwater Return and Sludge Systems Project, as amended by Addenda, were publicly opened electronically on the Agency's bid website page on PlanetBids on Wednesday, February 23, 2022 at 2:00 p.m., in full accordance with the law and the Agency's customary procedures; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors finds, after considering the opinion of staff, that the total bid of Pacific Hydrotech Corporation in the amount of \$17,526,700 is the lowest responsible bid of eight bids submitted, and that said bid substantially meets the requirements of said construction contract documents as amended by Addenda; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the Agency's best interest that the Board of Directors, on behalf of the Agency, authorize its General Manager to accept the \$17,526,700 bid from Pacific Hydrotech Corporation and authorize purchase orders in the amounts of \$1,175,000 for construction management and inspection services with Woodard and Curran, Inc. and \$660,000 for Engineering During Construction support with Lee & Ro, Inc.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Agency's Board of Directors does authorize its General Manager to accept said low bid and does therefore authorize the Agency's General Manager or its Chief Engineer to issue a Notice of Award to Pacific Hydrotech Corporation, hereby found to be the "lowest responsible bidder" for the Earl Schmidt Washwater Return and Sludge Systems Project for the total sum of \$17,526,700 and authorize purchase orders in the amounts of \$1,175,000 for construction management and inspection services with Woodard and Curran, Inc. and \$660,000 for Engineering During Construction support with Lee & Ro, Inc.

**RESOLVED FURTHER** that the Agency's General Manager or its President and Secretary are thereupon authorized, upon receipt of appropriate payment and performance bonds, appropriate certificates of insurance and an executed Contract Agreement from Pacific Hydrotech Corporation, all of which must be approved by General Counsel, to execute the said Contract Agreement on behalf of the Agency.

**RESOLVED FURTHER** that the Agency's General Manager or Chief Engineer are thereafter authorized to execute and forward to Pacific Hydrotech Corporation an appropriate Notice to Proceed.

President/

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I, the undersigned, hereby certify: That I am the duly appointed and acting Secretary of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, and that at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of said Agency held on April 19, 2022 the foregoing Resolution No. SCV-272 was duly and regularly adopted by said Board, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended since the date of its adoption, and that it is now in full force and effect.

DATED: April 19, 2022

Offel Jacobs
Secretary