

RESOLUTION NO. SCV-384

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY TO
AUTHORIZE A PURCHASE ORDER TO KENNEDY JENKS CONSULTANTS, INC FOR
PLANNING SERVICES FOR THE NORTH OAKS CENTRAL, EAST AND SIERRA WELLS
GROUNDWATER TREATMENT IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, AND FINDING THAT
APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED ACTION IS EXEMPT FROM CEQA REVIEW IN
ACCORDANCE WITH CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15262**

WHEREAS, the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (Agency) wishes to conduct feasibility and planning studies with regard to a potential North Oaks Central, East and Sierra Wells Groundwater Treatment Improvements Project (Project), as it continues to work towards meeting the Agency's Strategic Plan Objective D.1: "Achieve 100% compliance with all environmental regulations and standards" and Strategic Plan Objective D.2: "Proactively install, operate, and maintain groundwater treatment infrastructure to avoid impacts on water supply reliability (e.g. VOCs, perchlorate, PFAS, etc.)"; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of the resolution for a purchase order to Kennedy Jenks Consultants, Inc (KJ) for planning services for the Project authorizes the preparation of feasibility and planning studies, and does not constitute an approval for the construction of the Project and so is exempt from further review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines section 15262; and

WHEREAS, this resolution does not commit the Agency to any current or future projects, and does not entail any construction or other activity that could result in a potential physical change to the environment; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2023, the Agency issued the Request for Proposal (RFP) to seven (7) of its on-call consultants on PlanetBids for planning services for the Project; and

WHEREAS, on June 28, 2023, proposals from two (2) consultants were electronically received on the Agency's website page on PlanetBids pursuant to the Agency's planning services RFP for the Project; and

WHEREAS, it is in the Agency's best interest that the Board of Directors authorize its General Manager to award a purchase order to KJ for planning services for the Project in an amount not to exceed of \$230,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency Board of Directors does hereby find and determine as follows:

SECTION 1. RECITALS. The Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency Board of Directors finds that the resolution does not constitute an approval for the construction of the North Oaks Central, East and Sierra Wells Groundwater Treatment Improvements Project and so is exempt from further review under CEQA Guidelines section 15262, that the administrative record has been completed in compliance with CEQA, the CEQA Guidelines, and that the CEQA findings reflect the Board of Director's independent judgment.

SECTION 2. LOCATION AND CUSTODIAN OF RECORDS. The documents and materials associated with the Project that constitute the record of proceedings on which these

findings are based can be requested from the Custodian of Record located at Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, 27234 Bouquet Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, CA 91350. The Custodian of Record is the Board Secretary April Jacobs.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency's Board of Directors authorizes its General Manager to issue a purchase order to Kennedy Jenks Consultants, Inc for planning services for the North Oaks Central, East and Sierra Wells Groundwater Treatment Improvements Project for the not-to-exceed amount of \$230,0000.



President

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 scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors of said Agency held on October 3, 2023 the foregoing Resolution No. SCV-384 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: October 3, 2023



Secretary

