

RESOLUTION NO. SCV-250

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY
AUTHORIZING THE GRANT APPLICATION, ACCEPTANCE, AND EXECUTION
OF A FUNDING AGREEMENT FOR THE SANTA CLARA AND HONBY WELLS PFAS
GROUNDWATER TREATMENT SITE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

WHEREAS, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (Agency) determined that Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are a threat to the Agency's groundwater resources; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Clara and Honby Wells Groundwater Treatment Project is an important component to treat PFAS; and

WHEREAS, the project, aka the whole of the action, also 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 water main extension and treatment system reflect limited construction of facilities where only minor modifications are made; and

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

WHEREAS, the Agency has the legal authority and is authorized to enter into a funding agreement with the State of California; and

WHEREAS, the Agency intends to apply for grant funding from the California Department of Water Resources for the Project under the 2021 Urban and Multibenefit Drought Relief Program (the "Grant Program"); and

WHEREAS, there is no Agency funding match required under the Grant Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency hereby finds, determines, declares, and resolves as follows:

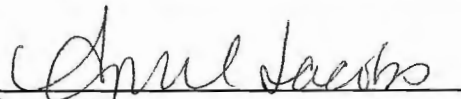
1. The Board hereby supports a grant application to the California Department of Water Resources for the Santa Clara and Honby Wells PFAS Groundwater Treatment Site Improvement Project.
2. Pursuant and subject to all the terms and provisions of Budget Act of 2021 (Stats. 2021, ch. 240, § 80), the Board hereby authorizes and directs the General Manager, or designee, to prepare and file an application for funding with the Department of Water Resources, and take such other actions necessary or appropriate to obtain grant funding.

3. The General Manager, or designee, is hereby authorized and directed to execute the funding agreement with the Department of Water Resources and any amendments thereto.
4. If a grant award is made by the Department of Water Resources, the Agency, pending Board compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and approval of the Project, will fund up to the balance of funds needed to complete construction of the Project.
5. The General Manager, or designee, is hereby authorized and directed to submit any required documents, invoices, and reports required to obtain grant funding.


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 meeting of the Board of Directors of said Agency held on January 4, 2022, the foregoing Resolution No. SCV-250 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: January 4, 2022


Secretary

