

**RESOLUTION NO. SCV-334**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY  
AUTHORIZING THE DEPOSIT OF FUNDS TO METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT  
OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FOR THE FOOTHILL FEEDER TURNOUT CLWA-01  
REPAIRS PROJECT, WHICH IS EXEMPT FROM CEQA UNDER CEQA GUIDELINES  
SECTION 15301, AND ALTERNATIVELY, SECTION 15303, AND  
AUTHORIZING THE DEPOSIT**

**WHEREAS**, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (Agency) desires to take steps to increase the reliability of its existing water treatment system; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agency's Capital Improvement Program includes the construction of the Foothill Feeder Turnout CLWA-01 project, a project that was evaluated under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to the Rio Vista Water Treatment Plant Upgrades and Expansion Environmental Impact Report (EIR) that was certified, and the project approved in 2006 by Castaic Lake Water Agency (now a part of the Agency); and

**WHEREAS**, the Agency entered into an agreement with Metropolitan Water Districts of Southern California (MWDSC) to wheel State Water Project raw water from Castaic Lake through a 201-inch diameter pipeline from Castaic Lake (foothill feeder) and deliver to the Agency via the Foothill Feeder Turnout CLWA-01 project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agency when commencing the Foothill Feeder Turnout CLWA-01 project, discovered a leak on the MWDSC side of the turnout; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agency wishes to reimburse MWDSC for the cost of repairing a portion of the Foothill Feeder Turnout CLWA-01 (Foothill Feeder Turnout CLWA-01 Repairs project); and

**WHEREAS**, the Foothill Feeder Turnout CLWA-01 Repairs project, aka the whole of the action, qualifies for an exemption from review under CEQA per CEQA Guidelines section 15301 concerning Minor Alterations to Existing Facilities because it is a minor alteration of an existing public facility, the Foothill Feeder Turnout CLWA-01, and it concerns the installation of new mechanical equipment involving negligible or no expansion of use, i.e. no additional extraction of water; and

**WHEREAS**, the Foothill Feeder Turnout CLWA-01 Repairs project, aka the whole of the action, also qualifies for an exemption from review under CEQA per CEQA Guidelines section 15303 concerning New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures because the project concerns only minor modifications to Foothill Feeder Turnout CLWA-01.

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

**SECTION 1.** The approval of the deposit to Metropolitan Water District of Southern California for the Foothill Feeder Turnout CLWA-01 Repairs project is exempt from further review under the CEQA Guidelines section 15301 Minor Alterations to Existing Facilities because it is a minor alteration of an existing public facility, the Foothill Feeder Turnout

CLWA-01, and it concerns the installation of new mechanical equipment involving negligible or no expansion of use, i.e. no additional extraction of water, and, alternatively, 15303, Minor Alterations to Existing Facilities because it is a minor alteration of an existing public facility, the Foothill Feeder Turnout CLWA-01, and it concerns the installation of proposed new mechanical equipment involving negligible or no expansion of use, i.e. no additional extraction of water.


**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 are located at the offices of the 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 Agency's Board of Directors authorize its General Manager to authorize a deposit in the amount of \$120,000 to MWDSC for the planning and design of the repairs needed for the project.

  
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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 February 21, 2023 the foregoing Resolution No. SCV-334 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: February 21, 2023

  
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Secretary