

RESOLUTION NO. SCV-167

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY
APPROVING FUNDING FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO
THE BEST DRILLING AND PUMP, INC., FOR THE
REPLACEMENT (SAUGUS 3 AND 4) WELLS PROJECT**

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

WHEREAS, SCVWA's Capital Improvement Program includes construction of the Agency's future Replacement (Saugus 3 and 4) Wells; and

WHEREAS, on September 14, 2005, Castaic Lake Water Agency (CLWA), as the lead agency under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), adopted the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Groundwater Containment, Treatment, and Restoration Project (MND), and MND which evaluated the Replacement (Saugus 3 and 4) Well Project and adopted findings and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Programs with the adoption of Resolution No. 2429; and

WHEREAS, Castaic Lake Water Agency (CLWA), as a CEQA Lead Agency, filed the Notice of Determination with the Los Angeles County Clerk's Office and the State Clearinghouse on September 19, 2005; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the integration of CLWA into SCVWA, SCVWA is now the lead agency under CEQA for the Replacement (Saugus 3 and 4) Wells Project; and

WHEREAS, in its role as lead agency SCVWA has now evaluated the adopted MND pursuant to CEQA Guideline 15162 to determine if, when taking subsequent discretionary actions in furtherance of a project for which an MND has been adopted, SCVWA is required to review any changed circumstances to determine whether any of the circumstances under Public Resources Code section 21166 and CEQA Guidelines section 15162 require additional environmental review; and

WHEREAS, based on that evaluation, and given that the proposed Project has been only slightly modified, SCVWA staff concluded that the MND fully analyzed and mitigated all potentially significant environmental impacts, if any, that would result from the Project, and therefore, no subsequent EIR or mitigated negative declaration is required; and

WHEREAS, all bid proposals submitted to SCVWA pursuant to the SCVWA's construction contract documents for the construction of the Replacement (Saugus 3 and 4) Wells Project, as amended by Addenda, were received by SCVWA on Wednesday, June 3, 2020 by 2:00 p.m., in full accordance with the law and SCVWA customary procedures; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors finds, after considering the opinion of staff, that the total bid of Best Drilling and Pump, Inc., in the amount of \$5,615,052 is the lowest responsible bid of three 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 SCVWA, authorize its General Manager to accept the \$5,615,052 bid.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the SCVWA Board of Directors (Board) has reviewed and considered the MND and supporting materials and finds that those documents taken together contain a complete and accurate reporting of all of the environmental impacts associated with the Project.

The Board further finds that the administrative record has been completed in compliance with CEQA, the CEQA Guidelines, and that the MND and supporting materials, taken together, reflect the Board's independent judgment.

Further, based on the substantial evidence set forth in the record, including but not limited to the MND and supporting materials the Board finds that, based on the whole record before it, none of the conditions under State CEQA Guidelines section 15162 requiring subsequent environmental review have occurred because the Project:

a) will not result in substantial changes that would require major revisions of the MND due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects; and

b) will not result in substantial changes with respect to the circumstances under which the Project is developed that would require major revisions of the MND due to the involvement of new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of the previously identified significant effects; and

c) does not present new information of substantial importance that was not known and could not have been known with the exercise of reasonable diligence at the time the MND was adopted, as applicable, showing any of the following: (i) that the modifications would have one or more significant effects not discussed in the earlier environmental documentation; (ii) that significant effects previously examined would be substantially more severe than shown in the earlier environmental documentation; (iii) that mitigation measures or alternatives previously found not to be feasible would in fact be feasible and would substantially reduce one or more significant effects, but the applicant declined to adopt such measures; or (iv) that mitigation measures or alternatives are considerably different from those analyzed previously would substantially reduce one or more significant effects on the environment, but which the applicant declined to adopt.

Further, based on the substantial evidence set forth in the record, including but not limited to the MND and supporting materials, the Board finds that the applicable mitigation measures identified in the MND have been incorporated into a specific mitigation monitoring program for the Project and would ensure that any potential environmental impacts would be reduced to less than significant levels.

The Board re-adopts those mitigation measures identified in the MND that are relevant to the Project as detailed specifically in the Mitigation Monitoring Program attached as Exhibit A, attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein.

The documents and materials that constitute the record of proceedings on which this Resolution has been based are located at the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency Summit


Circle Office at 26521 Summit Circle, Santa Clarita, CA 91350. The custodian for these records is James Leserman. This information is provided in compliance with Public Resources Code section 21081.6.

A Notice of Determination shall be filed with the County of Los Angeles and the State Clearinghouse within 5 (five) working days of the Board's final Project approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the SCVWA's Board of Directors does authorize its General Manager to accept said low bid and does therefore authorize the SCVWA's General Manager or its Chief Operating Officer to issue a Notice of Award to Best Drilling and Pump, Inc., hereby found to be the "lowest responsible bidder" for the Replacement (Saugus 3 and 4) Wells Project for the total sum of \$5,615,052.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the SCVWA'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 Best Drilling and Pump, Inc., all of which must be approved by General Counsel, to execute the said Contract Agreement on behalf of the SCVWA.

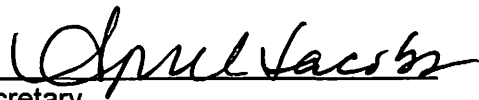
RESOLVED FURTHER that the SCVWA's General Manager or Chief Operating Officer are thereafter authorized to execute and forward to Best Drilling and Pump, Inc. an appropriate Notice to Proceed.



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 August 4, 2020, the foregoing Resolution No. SCV-167 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: August 4, 2020



Secretary

