

RESOLUTION NO. SCV-522

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY**

(1) FINDING THAT THE PROJECT IS EXEMPT FROM CEQA, PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15302, AND ALTERNATIVELY, SECTION 15303, (2) AWARDING A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO RENEWABLE SOLAR, INC. AND (3) AUTHORIZING A PURCHASE ORDER TO WATER SYSTEMS CONSULTING, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AND INSPECTION SERVICES FOR THE RIDGE ROUTE BOOSTER STATION ELECTRICAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (Agency) is planning to upgrade and replace electrical equipment at the Ridge Route Booster Station and developed the Ridge Route Booster Station Electrical Improvements Project (Project); and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2026, proposal from one (1) consultant(s), namely, Water Systems Consulting, Inc. was electronically received on the Agency's website page on PlanetBids pursuant to the Agency's construction management and inspection services Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Project; and

WHEREAS, it is in the Agency's best interest that the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency's Board of Directors, on behalf of the Agency, authorize its General Manager to authorize a purchase order in the amount not to exceed \$250,000 to Water Systems Consulting, Inc. for construction management and inspection services for the Project; and

WHEREAS, on January 29, 2026, the Agency posted the Project for construction bids on Planet Bids; and

WHEREAS, the authorization of the construction contract and purchase order for the Project, qualifies for an exemption under CEQA Guidelines Section 15302, Replacement or Reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity because the Project is limited to a replacement of existing electrical equipment, or Section 15303 Class 3, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures, concerning the conversion of existing small structures from one use to another where only minor modifications are made in the exterior of the structure because Project would replace existing electrical equipment requiring minor modifications; and

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

WHEREAS, all bid proposals submitted to the Agency pursuant to the Agency's specifications (Project No. CIP26-1017-2) for procurement of the Ridge Route Booster Station Electrical Improvements, were publicly opened electronically on the Agency's bid website page on PlanetBids on Wednesday, March 11, 2026, at 2:00 p.m., in full accordance with the law and the Agency's customary procedures; and

WHEREAS, Eco Energy Solutions, Inc. (EES) was the apparent low bidder with a total bid of \$1,365,136, but later gave notice of its intent to withdraw its bid on March 18, 2026, as a result of an arithmetic error in calculating the total bid amount; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency's Board of Directors finds, after considering the opinion of the staff, that the total bid of Renewable Solar, Inc. (Renewable) in the amount of \$1,891,138.82 is the lowest responsible bid of three (3) bids submitted, and that said bid substantially meets the requirements of said materials purchase contract documents as amended by Addenda; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency's Board of Directors finds that any defect in the bid bond submitted by Renewable are inconsequential for the reasons offered in the staff report dated March 18, 2026 accompanying this resolution, which is incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein, including, without limitation, that Renewable agreed that the Agency could retain the bid bond and the recover the amount of the bond if Renewable failed to perform certain post-award obligations that the bond was intended to secure and that the surety was bound by the bid bond; and

WHEREAS, it is in the Agency's best interest that the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency's Board of Directors, on behalf of the Agency, authorize its General Manager to accept the \$1,891,138.82 bid from Renewable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the contract agreements are exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15302 and, CEQA Guidelines Section 15303, and further finds that none of the exceptions to the use of the exemption found in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 have application, and directs the General Manager to file a Notice of Exemption with the Los Angeles County Clerk's Office, and the State Clearinghouse.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency's Board of Directors consents to EES' withdrawal of its bid pursuant to Public Contract Code section 5101.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency's Board of Directors finds that any irregularity in Renewable's bid bond submitted with its bid, or any deviation from the instructions in the Bid Documents related thereto, is inconsequential and the Board exercises its discretion to waive it.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency's Board of Directors authorizes its General Manager to award a contract for Ridge Route Booster Station Electrical Improvements Project to Renewable, and authorizes the Agency's General Manager or its Chief Engineer to issue a Notice of Award to Renewable Solar, Inc., hereby found to be the "lowest responsive responsible bidder" for the Ridge Route Booster Station Electrical Improvements Project for the total sum of \$1,891,138.82.

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 Renewable Solar, Inc., 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 an appropriate Notice to Proceed to Renewable Solar, Inc.

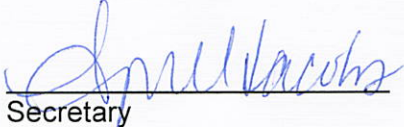
RESOLVED FURTHER that the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency's Board of Directors authorize its General Manager to issue a purchase order to Water Systems Consulting, Inc. for construction management and inspection services for the Ridge Route Booster Station Electrical Improvements Project for an amount not to exceed \$250,000.



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 April 21, 2026 the foregoing Resolution No. SCV-522 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 21, 2026



Secretary

