RESOLUTION NO. SCV-323

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO PREPARE THE NECESSARY DATA, CONDUCT INVESTIGATIONS, FILE A SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION, EXECUTE A FUNDING AGREEMENT AND ANY FUTURE AMENDMENTS THERETO, SUBMIT INVOICES, AND SUBMIT ANY REPORTING REQUIREMENTS WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

WHEREAS, the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (SCVWA) is a member agency of the Santa Clarita Valley Groundwater Sustainability Agency (SCV-GSA); and

WHEREAS, on October 4, 2018, SCV Water and SCV-GSA entered into an Administrative Services Agreement requiring the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (SCV Water) administer the SCV-GSA and provide the majority of funding to develop the state-required Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP); and

WHEREAS, on October 3, 2022 the SCV-GSA adopted Resolution GSA 2022-03 authorizing SCV Water to submit a the subject grant application for the Expanded Monitoring in the Upper Santa Clara River Basin GSA; and

WHEREAS, the minimum grant request under the SGM Grant is \$1,000,000 per the GSA groundwater basin and only one application per basin is allowed; and

WHEREAS, SCV Water has evaluated projects and prepared and submitted the required grant application; and

WHEREAS, the total project cost estimate in the application is \$5,304,640; and

WHEREAS, SCVWA will provide a 5% (\$265,234) match of the total project cost; and

WHEREAS, consistent with the Administrative Services Agreement, if a SGM Grant is awarded, grant revenues will be used to offset SCVWA's costs to carry out SGM grant funded work.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors, the governing body of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, authorizes the General Manager to:

- Submit an application to the Department of Water Resources to obtain a grant under the 2021 Sustainable Groundwater Management (SGM) Grant Program SGMA Implementation Grant pursuant to the California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access For All Act of 2018 (Pub. Resources Code, Section 80000, et seq.) and the Budget Acts of 2021 and 2022.
- Execute a grant agreement, and any future amendments thereto, with the Department of Water Resources to receive a grant funding for the Expanded Monitoring in the Upper Santa Clara River Basin GSA.

- 3. If a grant award is made by the Department of Water Resources, SCVWA commits, pending Board compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and approval of the project, to providing a minimum of five percent (5%) matching funds (\$265,234) and up to the balance of funds needed to complete the construction of the project.
- 4. Prepare the necessary data, conduct investigations, submit invoices, and submit any reporting requirements with the Department of Water Resources.

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 December 20, 2022 the foregoing Resolution No. SCV-323 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: December 20, 2022

Secretary Laucoh

