RESOLUTION NO. SCV-346

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY, AUTHORIZING A PURCHASE ORDER TO HUNSAKER & ASSOCIATES LOS ANGELES, INC. FOR PLANNING SERVICES FOR THE N WELLS DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, AND FINDING THAT THE AUTHORIZATION IS NOT A PROJECT SUBJECT TO CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15262

WHEREAS, the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (Agency) wishes to conduct planning studies with regard to the N Wells Drainage Improvements Project, as it continues to work towards meeting its Strategic Plan Objective B.5.1: "Maintain all facilities and appurtenances in a consistent fashion to achieve operational efficiency and functionality."; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of the resolution for a purchase order to Hunsaker & Associates Los Angeles, Inc. (Hunsaker) for planning services for the N Wells Drainage Improvements Project authorizes the preparation of feasibility and planning studies, and does not constitute an approval for the construction of N Wells Drainage Improvements Project and so the project is exempt from further review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines section 15262; and

WHEREAS, this resolution does not commit the Agency to any current or future projects, and does not entail any construction or other activity that could result in a potential physical change to the environment; and

WHEREAS, on December 8, 2022, the Agency issued the Request for Proposal (RFP) to several of its on-call consultants on PlanetBids for planning services for the N Wells Drainage Improvements Project; and

WHEREAS, on January 25, 2023, proposals from three (3) consultants were electronically received on the Agency's website page on PlanetBids pursuant to the Agency's planning services RFP for the N Wells Drainage Improvements Project; and

WHEREAS, it is in the Agency's best interest that the Board of Directors, on behalf of the Agency, authorize its General Manager to award a purchase order to Hunsaker for planning services in an amount not to exceed \$140,000.

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

SECTION 1. RECITALS. The Board of Directors finds that the administrative record has been completed in compliance with CEQA, the CEQA Guidelines, and that the CEQA findings reflect the Board's independent judgment.

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 authorizes the General Manager to issue a purchase order to Hunsaker & Associates Los Angeles, Inc. for planning services for the N Wells Drainage Improvements project for an amount not to exceed \$140,000.

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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 May 2, 2023 the foregoing Resolution No. SCV-346 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: May 2, 2023

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