

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-08

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SAN BENITO COUNTY WATER DISTRICT CERTIFYING THE ADDENDUM TO THE SAN BENITO COUNTY WATER DISTRICT WEST HILLS WATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT;

ADOPTING CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT FINDINGS OF FACT, AND

APPROVING THE CITY OF HOLLISTER WELL NO.4 EXTENSION

Whereas, in 2004, the City of Hollister (City), the San Benito County (County), and San Benito County Water District (SBCWD) developed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that established a framework for water and wastewater planning in the Hollister Urban Area (HUA).

Whereas, this MOU was amended in 2008 to include the Sunnyslope County Water District (SSCWD) and collectively, the four parties (referred to as “MOU parties”) developed a Hollister Urban Area Water and Wastewater Master Plan (Master Plan) in 2008 and a subsequent Coordinated Water Supply and Treatment Plan (Coordinated Plan) in 2010.

Whereas, together, the two plans (collectively referred to as the “Program”) identify individual water, wastewater, and recycled water projects aimed to improve the quality of municipal drinking water, industrial supply and recycled water for agricultural and urban users; provide a reliable and sustainable water supply to meet the current and future demands for the HUA; and implement the goals of the Hollister Water Reclamation Facility to be the primary wastewater treatment plant for incorporated and unincorporated lands in the HUA to protect groundwater quality and public health.

Whereas, the SBCWD, as lead agency pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), has completed the final environmental impact report (FEIR) for the West Hills Water Treatment Plant Project (West Hills Project) (State Clearinghouse No. 2012081028).

Whereas, in 2013, SBCWD, City, SSCWD signed and ratified the Water Supply & Treatment Agreement, in which roles and obligations were contractually defined between the MOU parties.

Whereas, the SBCWD, City, SSCWD, are implementing the West Hills Water Treatment Plant project.

Whereas, the primary purpose of the proposed Well No.4 project is to provide high quality water supply to the western area of the HUA, an area which currently receives groundwater.

Whereas, the project site is located within the City of Hollister's existing streets.

Whereas, the project consists of 4850 lineal feet of 12" pipeline and upgrades to existing Well No.4.

Now therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the SBCWD hereby:

- a. Certifies the Addendum to San Benito County Water District West Hills Water Treatment Plant Project Final Environmental Impact Report (City Well No. 4 Extension).
- b. Adopts this Resolution Approving California Environmental Quality Act Findings of Fact.
- c. Approves the West Hills Water Treatment Plant Project Final Environmental Impact Report Addendum & Direct District Manager/Engineer to Sign Notice of Determination
- d. Directs District Staff to File Notice of Determination with San Benito County Recorder's Office
- e. Approves of the West Hills Water Treatment Plant Well #4 Extension Project.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the San Benito County Water District held on the 31th day of May, 2017 by the following vote:

AYES: DIRECTORS: Tobias, Tonascia, Flores, Bettencourt & Huenemann

NOES: DIRECTORS: None

ABSENT: DIRECTORS: None

ABSTAIN: DIRECTORS: None

/s/John Tobias
John Tobias
President

ATTEST: /s/Sara Singleton
Sara Singleton
Assistant Manager