

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

City and County of San Francisco

RESOLUTION NO. 14-0185

WHEREAS, On behalf of numerous local public agencies including the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC), the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) applied for a Proposition 84 Integrated Regional Water Management Program Grant from the State of California, Department of Water Resources (DWR) to help fund the implementation and operation of 19 local, subregional, and regional water conservation, water recycling, ecosystem restoration, green infrastructure, and flood management-watershed projects to be carried out by the participating agencies; and

WHEREAS, DWR awarded ABAG a grant of \$20,000,000 in State funds; and

WHEREAS, DWR and ABAG have entered into Grant Agreement No. 4600010575, whereby State grant funds will be disbursed by DWR to ABAG, the fiscal agent for the grant funds, on a reimbursement basis; and

WHEREAS, The State permits ABAG to disburse State grant funds to participating agencies; and

WHEREAS, Solano County Water Agency (SCWA) and ABAG have entered into an Implementation Agreement by which ABAG agrees to disburse funding from the State grant to SCWA for SCWA to use in administration and performance of eligible Water Conservation Projects under the State grant.

WHEREAS, The SFPUC desires to receive State grant funds, and is willing to cooperate in fulfilling ABAG and SCWA obligations under the State grant requirements; and

WHEREAS, The SFPUC and SCWA desire to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding in which SCWA agrees to disburse the grant funds to the SFPUC to assist with implementation of the SFPUC's Large Landscape Water Conservation Program in accordance with the provisions of the implementation agreement; and

WHEREAS, The subject MOU would not fall within the definition of a "project" under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15378 because the MOU creates a funding mechanism without commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment. Large landscape water conservation improvements to be funded under the Proposition 84 Grant Program would be subject to CEQA compliance and the types of projects that would be funded under this Program are anticipated to qualify for categorical exemption determinations; and

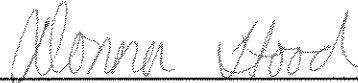
WHEREAS, The SFPUC's total annual budget for its Large Landscape Water Conservation Program is \$1.5 million, of which \$234,300 will be provided through State grant funds to help offset costs, with the SFPUC's estimated cost-share match being \$724,383; and

WHEREAS, The State grant funds for assistance with the implementation of the Large Landscape Water Conservation Program are not to exceed \$234,300; and

WHEREAS, The SFPUC cost share funds for implementation of the Large Landscape Water Conservation Program are available in Water Conservation capital budget 502651; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Commission hereby authorizes the General Manager of the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission to execute a MOU with the Solano County Water Agency for the purpose of disbursing State grant funds to the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission for assistance with its Large Landscape Water Conservation Program for an amount not to exceed \$234,300, with estimated matching funds of \$724,383 available in Water Conservation capital index code 502651.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its meeting of November 12, 2014.



Secretary, Public Utilities Commission