

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

City and County of San Francisco

RESOLUTION NO. 14-0184

WHEREAS, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) staff have developed a project description under Water System Improvement Program (WSIP) for improvements to the regional water supply system, otherwise known as Project No. CUW30103, Regional Groundwater Storage and Recovery; and

WHEREAS, the primary objective of the Project is to provide additional dry-year regional water supply. Specific objectives of the Project are to:

- Conjunctively manage the South Westside Groundwater Basin through the coordinated use of SFPUC surface water and groundwater pumped by Daly City, San Bruno, and California Water Service Company (Participating Pumpers);
- Provide supplemental SFPUC surface water to the Participating Pumpers in normal and wet years, resulting in a corresponding reduction of groundwater pumping, which allows for in-lieu recharge of the South Westside Groundwater Basin;
- Increase dry-year and emergency pumping capacity of the South Westside Groundwater Basin by up to an average annual volume of 7.2 million gallons per day;
- Provide a new dry-year groundwater supply for SFPUC customers and increase water supply reliability during the 8.5-year design drought cycle; and

WHEREAS, A Final Environmental Impact Report for the Regional Groundwater Storage and Recovery Project, a Statement of Overriding Considerations and a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program were adopted by this Commission on August 12, 2014 by Resolution No. 14-0127; and

WHEREAS, On behalf of numerous local public agencies including the 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, requiring an estimated \$14,428,997 in agency matching funds. Each of the participating agencies is responsible for the cost-share match of at least 25% required under the DWR agreement with ABAG; 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, ABAG wishes to pass State grant funds through to the SFPUC to use for the implementation of the Regional Groundwater Storage and Recovery Project Phase 1A – South Westside Basin, Northern San Mateo County to carry out the purposes of the State grant; and

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

WHEREAS, The SFPUC and ABAG desire to enter into a grant implementation agreement in which ABAG agrees to disburse the grant funds to the SFPUC for implementation of the Regional Groundwater Storage and Recovery Project Phase 1A – South Westside Basin, Northern San Mateo County in accordance with the provisions of the implementation agreement; and


WHEREAS, The SFPUC's total estimated project cost is 3,422,261, of which \$1,400,000 will be provided through State grant funds, with the SFPUC's estimated cost-share being \$2,022,261; and

WHEREAS, The State grant funds for the implementation of the Regional Groundwater Storage and Recovery Project Phase 1A – South Westside Basin, Northern San Mateo County are not to exceed \$1,400,000; and

WHEREAS, The SFPUC cost share funds for implementation of the Regional Groundwater Storage and Recovery Project Phase 1A – South Westside Basin, Northern San Mateo County are available in WSIP Project CUW30103; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Commission hereby authorizes the General Manager of the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission to execute an Agreement with the Association of Bay Area Governments for the purpose of disbursing State grant funds to the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission for implementation of the Regional Groundwater Storage and Recovery Project Phase 1A – South Westside Basin, Northern San Mateo County for an amount not to exceed \$1,400,000, with estimated matching funds of \$2,022,261 available in WSIP Project CUW30103.

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