

## **Authorizing Documentation**

Resolution 2015-55 was adopted by the Coachella Valley Water District (CVWD) Board of Directors on July 14, 2015 and authorizes CVWD to submit this *Coachella Valley 2015 IRWM Implementation Grant Proposal* and execute an agreement with the State of California for implementation of six priority water resources projects (see **Appendix 1-1**).



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**Appendix 1-1**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
COACHELLA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2015-55**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Coachella Valley Water District assembled in regular meeting this 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2015, that the appropriate officers are hereby authorized to execute on behalf of this District, an amendment to the Consulting Contract with RMC Water and Environment, for preparation of a Proposition 84, Round 4 Integrated Regional Water Management Implementation Grant Application. The total amount is for \$86,942 and the District's responsibility is \$22,650; and

BE IT FUTHER resolved that the Board of Directors authorize an Application to the California Department of Water Resources to obtain a 2015 Integrated Regional Water Management Implementation Grant pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Public Resource Code Section 75001 *et seq.*), and to enter into an agreement to receive a grant for the Coachella Valley 2015 Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWM) Implementation Grant Proposal; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that General Manager be authorized to direct staff to prepare necessary data, conduct investigations, file applications and execute grant agreements with the California Department of Water Resources in association with this application process.

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## Appendix 1-1

STATE OF CALIFORNIA )  
COACHELLA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT ) ss.  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY )

I, JULIA FERNANDEZ, Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Coachella Valley Water District, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of Resolution No. 2015-55 adopted by the Board of Directors of said District at a regular meeting thereof duly held and convened on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2015, at which meeting a quorum of said Board was present and acting throughout. The Resolution was adopted by the following vote:

|            |                                       |
|------------|---------------------------------------|
| Ayes:      | Five                                  |
| Directors: | Powell, Nelson, O'Dowd, Pack, Estrada |
| Noes:      | None                                  |

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2015.

(SEAL)

  
Board Secretary



**COACHELLA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT**

**Board Action Item**

**Board Meeting Date: July 14, 2015**

TO: Board of Directors

SUBJECT: Authorize Proposition 84 Implementation Grant Application and Amend RMC Water and Environment Consulting Contract for Application Completion

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**Description and Location**

The Purpose of this Board Action Item is to request authorization for the General Manager to amend the RMC Water and Environment (RMC) consulting contract for preparation of a Proposition 84, Round 4 Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Implementation Grant and to authorize the District's portion of the application cost. It is also to request authorization for an application to the California Department of Water Resources to obtain an Integrated Regional Water Management Implementation Grant pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Public Resource Code Section 75001 et seq.), and to enter into an agreement to receive grants for the Coachella Valley Integrated Regional Water Management Plan.

The Coachella Valley Regional Water Management Group (CVRWMG) was formed to coordinate long-term water supply planning efforts, to develop an Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Plan, and qualify for grant opportunities. The six CVRWMG members are CVWD, Desert Water Agency (DWA), Coachella Water Authority (CWA), Indio Water Authority (IWA), Mission Springs Water District, (MSWD) and Valley Sanitary District (VSD).

The CVRWMG developed an IRWM Plan which makes the Coachella Valley Region eligible to participate in Proposition 84 IRWM Grant Programs administered by DWR. The Grant Programs are designed to encourage integrated regional management of water resources and provide funding for projects that support integrated water management planning and implementation.

In Proposition 84 a total of \$1 billion has been made available through four funding rounds to IRWM planning regions throughout the State. A total of \$36 million was available for the Colorado River Funding Area, which includes two other IRWM planning regions. Grants are awarded on a competitive basis for implementation of projects.

CVWD is the submitting Agency for the Coachella Valley IRWM planning effort and has previously submitted four grant applications to Department of Water Resources pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Public Resource Code Section 75001 et seq.). The resolutions also authorize the General Manager-Chief Engineer to direct staff to prepare necessary data, conduct investigations, file applications, and execute grant agreements with the California Department of Water Resources in association with this application process.

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To date the CVRWMG has secured over \$10 million in funding for the Coachella Valley region.

Approximately \$4.2 million is available in this fourth Proposition 84 funding round. A project website was utilized to solicit local projects for the application. Stakeholders were encouraged to submit/resubmit projects for consideration and a workshop was conducted to facilitate project development.

Interviews were conducted to evaluate project proposals. Projects were rated based on readiness to proceed, grant amount requested per dwelling unit served, security of funding match, meeting DWR and CVRWMG objectives, and documentation of need. From the projects submitted, the CVRWMG and Planning Partners selected a suite of six projects for the Round 4 Grant Application as follows:

1. Torres-Martinez Septic to Sewer Conversion Project-\$250,000
2. Shady Lane Septic to Sewer Conversion Project-\$250,000
3. Turf Rebates for CWA and DWA-\$1,000,000
4. Mission Springs Water Supply Reliability Project-\$1,625,000
5. DAC Septic Rehabilitation and Demand Reduction Program-\$500,000
6. Well Retrofit and Abandonment Rebate Program-\$500,000

The total application amount is \$4,175,000, which includes \$50,000 for CVWD grant administration. The application deadline is August 7, 2015.

In accordance with the MOU, CVWD is the Submitting Agency for the Coachella Valley IRWM Proposition 84, Round 4 Implementation Grant Application and must provide a Resolution authorizing the application.

It is not within RMC's current scope of work to prepare the Round 4 Grant Application. The CVRWMG asked RMC to distribute the preparation cost among the project proponents in proportion to the work required for each project. The proposed distribution of preparation costs is as follows. The proponents are submitting their application preparation funds to CVWD for placement in an escrow fund. RMC will be paid from the fund.

|                       |                 |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| CVWD                  | \$22,650        |
| DWA                   | \$18,120        |
| MSWD                  | \$36,807        |
| IWA                   | \$ 4,530        |
| Shady Lane Proponents | \$ 2,417        |
| Torres Martinez       | \$ 2,417        |
| <b>TOTAL</b>          | <b>\$86,942</b> |

## Appendix 1-1

### Purpose and Benefit of Project

The purpose of this board item is to Authorize a Round 4 Proposition 84 Implementation Grant Application and Amend RMC Water and Environment Consulting Contract for Application Completion. Approximately 4.2 Million is available to the Colorado River Funding Area in this funding round. Approval of this Board Action Item qualifies the Coachella Valley Region to submit a competitive application for these funds.

### Procurement and Expenditures

CVWD's portion of the cost for this application is limited to \$22,650. If a grant is awarded, CVWD will be reimbursed \$50,000 by the Grant for administration costs.

### Environmental Impact

- ☒ No, this item is not a "project" as defined by CEQA; therefore, approval does not require any CEQA action.  
☐ Yes, see below.

### Legal Review

- ☐ Reviewed by Counsel  
☒ N/A

### Fiscal Impact

Funds are budgeted in the FY 2016 operating budget for grant applications to fund CVWD's portion of the application. The other participating agencies will be invoiced for their share of the application cost.

### Prior Authorizations

- ☐ Yes, see attachment.  
☒ N/A

## Appendix 1-1

### Staff Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Directors authorize the appropriate officers to execute an amendment to the Consulting contract with RMC Water and Environment for preparation of a Proposition 84, Round 4 Integrated Regional Water Management Implementation Grant application. The total amendment amount is \$86,942 and CVWD's responsibility is \$22,650.

Staff also recommends that the Board of Directors authorize an application to the California Department of Water Resources to obtain a 2015 Integrated Regional Water Management Implementation Grant pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Public Resource Code Section 75001 et seq.), and to enter into an agreement to receive a grant for the Coachella Valley 2015 Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWM) Implementation Grant Proposal.

Staff also recommends that the General Manager be authorized to direct staff to prepare necessary data, conduct investigations, file applications and execute grant agreements with the California Department of Water Resources in association with this application process.

Please see attached proposed resolution.

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Submitted by: Mark Johnson  
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Approved by:



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J. M. Barrett  
General Manager

Attachments/as  
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PROJECT ID NO: N/A