

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MONTEREY PENINSULA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE PROPOSED MONTEREY REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Monterey Regional Water Supply Program (Regional Project) has been identified by California American Water (Cal-Am) as an alternative to its proposed Coastal Water Project (CWP) to benefit water users within the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District and Monterey County; and

WHEREAS, Phase 1 of the proposed Regional Project consists of a Desalination Facility in the North Marina area, the Seaside Basin Aquifer Storage and Recovery Project, the Regional Urban Water Augmentation Project, the Sand City Desalination Facility, and continued water conservation; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the proposed Phase 1 Regional Project is to enable Cal-Am to fully comply with the requirements of State Water Resources Control Board Order Nos. WR 95-10 and 2009-0060 and the Seaside Basin Adjudication Decision (*California American Water v. City of Seaside, et al.*, Monterey County Superior Court Case No. M66343); and

WHEREAS, the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the CWP states that the proposed Phase 1 Regional Project is the environmentally-superior alternative, provided that the mitigation measures set forth in the Final EIR are imposed and fully implemented by all pertinent approval and participant agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District is engaged in the regional water supply planning process, including development and operation of the Seaside Basin Aquifer Storage and Recovery Project, which is an integral part of the proposed Phase 1 Regional Project; and

WHEREAS, the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District is also charged with fostering the scenic values, environmental quality, and native vegetation, fish, and wildlife in the Carmel River Basin; and

WHEREAS, the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District is acknowledged as a state and national leader in low per capita water use and water conservation, which is also an integral part of the proposed Phase 1 Regional Project; and

WHEREAS, the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District staff is recognized for its experience and expertise in water supply planning, permitting, and environmental impact monitoring and mitigation; and

WHEREAS, the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District is governed by a Board of Directors whose members are elected to represent the interests of water users within the Water Management District boundaries and charged with providing integrated management of the ground and surface water supplies within the Water Management District boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District is the lead agency for the Integrated Regional Water Management Plan for the Monterey Peninsula, Carmel Bay, and South Monterey Bay area that is seeking state funding for several components of the proposed Phase 1 Regional Project; and

WHEREAS, the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District recognizes that there is an urgent need to identify, plan, and implement a water supply solution to comply with physical, regulatory, and judicial constraints on local water supplies; and

WHEREAS, the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District is authorized to adopt, by resolution or ordinance, reasonable rules to carry out its powers and duties, including regulation of water distribution systems within the Water Management District boundaries.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District as follows:

- 1. That, based on current analyses, the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District supports the proposed Phase 1 Regional Water Supply Project as a solution to the water supply challenges confronting existing water users within the District, and
- 2. That the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District is fully engaged in the regional water supply planning process to meet existing and future water needs within the District, and
- 3. That the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District's involvement in operational decision-making of the Regional Project is required to ensure that the water needs of the citizens and environmental resources within the District are reliably met in a cost-effective manner, and
- 4. That the water users in the Monterey Peninsula area are entitled to full and fair representation in all water supply planning efforts that affect their present and future water resources.

On a motion by Director Pendergrass and seconded by Director Edwards the foregoing resolution is duly adopted this 25th day of February 2010 by the following votes:

Ayes:

Directors Pendergrass, Edwards, Brower, Doyle, Lehman, Markey and Potter

Navs:

None None

Absent:

I, Darby Fuerst, Secretary to the Board of Directors of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, hereby certify that the foregoing is a resolution duly adopted on the 25th day of February 2010.

Witness my hand and seal of the Board of Directors this 3rd day of March 2010.

Darby Fuerst, Secretary to the Board

COPY CERTIFICATION

I, Darby Fuerst, Secretary to the Board of Directors of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of Resolution No. 2010-01 duly adopted on the 25th of February, 2010.

Darby Fuerst, Secretary to the Board