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PURE WATER MONTEREY PROJECT**

THIS WATER PURCHASE AGREEMENT (“Agreement”) is made this ____ day of _____, 2016 (the “Effective Date”) by and between California-American Water Company, a California corporation, hereinafter referred to as the “Company,” Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency, hereinafter referred to as the “Agency,” and Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, hereinafter referred to as the “District.” The Company, the Agency, and the District are hereinafter referred to individually as a “Party” and collectively as the “Parties.”

RECITALS

- A. The Company has a statutory duty to serve water in certain cities on the Monterey Peninsula and in a portion of Monterey County for its service area, the boundaries of which are shown in **Exhibit A** attached hereto and incorporated herein.
- B. The Company has been ordered by the State Water Resources Control Board in orders 95-10 and WR 2009-0060 to find alternatives to the Carmel River to fulfill its duty to serve, and the Company has applied to the California Public Utilities Commission (“CPUC”) for an order seeking a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the construction of water supply facilities and authorizing the recovery of the costs for such construction in rates.
- C. The Agency will be responsible for the design, construction, operation, and ownership of facilities for the production and delivery of advanced treated recycled water, such facilities to be part of the Pure Water Monterey groundwater replenishment project.
- D. The District will buy advanced treated recycled water from the Agency for purpose of securing the financing of and paying the operating costs of the project. The District will sell the advanced treated recycled water to the Company subject to the terms of this Agreement.
- E. The Company desires to buy advanced treated recycled water from the District for the purpose of fulfilling its duty to serve its customers within its service area and the District is willing to sell advanced treated recycled water to the Company for this purpose on the terms and conditions provided for herein.
- F. The Agency contends, and has so advised the District and the Company, that based on advice of counsel, (1) Agency assets and revenue derived from Agency ratepayers are not available for satisfying claims and judgments for any liability arising from this water project Agreement, and (2) therefore, the single source for so satisfying is insurance coverage described as Required Insurance in this Agreement.

G. The Agency has separately entered into an agreement with the Monterey County Water Resources Agency in Section 4.05 of which, the Monterey County Water Resources Agency may request additional irrigation water from Agency sources. Pursuant to that agreement the Agency has committed to produce no more than 200 acre-feet per year, up to a total quantity of 1,000 acre-feet, for delivery to the District as a drought reserve. When such a request is made, the District may make available to the Company Drought Reserve Water in order to satisfy the Company Allotment. Additionally, in order to ensure delivery of the Company Allotment in the event of an interruption in project operations, the District has established an Operating Reserve. Together the two reserves are called the Reserve Account and will be paid for by the District until deemed delivered to the Company if needed at a future date

NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties agree as follows:

1. Purpose of Agreement.

The purpose of this Agreement is to provide for the sale of advanced treated recycled water from the Agency to the District and from the District to the Company derived from the Pure Water Monterey groundwater replenishment project owned and operated by the Agency, and to serve the Company's customers within its service area. The Parties confirm that this Agreement constitutes a contractual right to purchase advanced treated recycled water, that no water right is conferred to the Company, and that no additional rights in the Seaside Groundwater Basin are conferred to the District or the Agency.

2. Definitions

The following terms shall, for all purposes of this Agreement have the following meanings:

“Additional Project Participant” means any public district, agency, or entity, or any private water company, other than the Company, that executes a water purchase agreement in accordance with Section 18 hereof, together with its respective successors or assigns.

“Affected Party” means a Party claiming the occurrence of a Force Majeure Event and seeking relief under this Agreement as a result thereof.

“Agreement” means this Water Purchase Agreement, as the same may be amended from time to time.

“Applicable Law” means any federal, state or local statute, local charter provision, regulation, ordinance, rule, mandate, order, decree, permit, code or license requirement or other governmental requirement or restriction, or any interpretation or administration of any of the

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foregoing by any governmental authority, which applies to the services or obligations of any of the Parties under this Agreement.

“AWT Facilities” means the advanced water treatment facilities portion of the Project that provides advanced treatment to source water that has undergone secondary treatment at the Regional Treatment Plant.

“AWT Water” means advanced treated recycled water produced by the AWT Facilities.

“Company Account” means the account managed by the District and the Company that tracks and records the quantity of Company Water delivered to the Delivery Point.

“Company Allotment” means 3,500 acre-feet of AWT Water, or another quantity of AWT Water as agreed to, in writing, by the Parties.

“Company Water” means the AWT Water delivered to the Delivery Point to be used and owned by the Company and will be counted toward the Company Allotment.

“Company Water Payments” means payments made by the Company to the District pursuant to Section 16 hereof for the furnishing of Company Water.

“Company Water Rate” means the dollar amount per acre-foot of Company Water that the Company pays the District for delivery of Company Water, as calculated pursuant to Section 16.

“CPUC” means the California Public Utilities Commission.

“Delivery Point” means any of the metered points of delivery identified in **Exhibit C**.

“Delivery Start Date” means the date that the District commences delivery of AWT Water to the Delivery Point.

“Drought Reserve” means one of the two sub-accounts that comprise the Reserve Account.

“Drought Reserve Minimum” means 1,000 acre-feet of Drought Reserve Water in the Drought Reserve.

“Drought Reserve Water” means Excess Water in the Drought Reserve Account at any given time.

“Event of Default” means each of the items specified in Section 20 which may lead to termination of this Agreement upon election by a non-defaulting Party.

“Excess Water” means a quantity of AWT Water in excess of the Company Allotment delivered by the District to the Delivery Point in any given Fiscal Year.

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“Fiscal Year” means a twelve-month period from July 1 through June 30. Any computation made on the basis of a Fiscal Year shall be adjusted on a pro rata basis to take into account any Fiscal Year of less than 365 or 366 days, whichever is applicable.

“Fixed Project Costs” means all pre-construction, development, and capital costs of the Project, including debt service and reserves for the payment of debt service, incurred by the Agency or District in accordance with Section 6 hereof; provided, however, Fixed Project Costs shall not include any damages or other amounts paid by the Agency or the District to the Company as indemnification payments pursuant to Section 22 of this Agreement.

“Force Majeure Event” means any act, event, condition or circumstance that (1) is beyond the reasonable control of the Affected Party, (2) by itself or in combination with other acts, events, conditions or circumstances adversely affects, interferes with or delays the Affected Party’s ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement, and (3) is not the fault of, or the direct result of the willful or negligent act, intentional misconduct, or breach of this Agreement by, the Affected Party.

“Injection Facilities” means the injection wells and appurtenant facilities portion of the Project used to inject AWT Water into the Seaside Basin.

“Minimum Allotment” means 2,800 acre-feet of AWT Water.

“Operating Reserve” means one of the two sub-accounts that comprise the Reserve Account.

“Operating Reserve Minimum” means 1,000 acre-feet of Operating Reserve Water in the Operating Reserve prior to the date that is three (3) years following the Performance Start Date, and 1,750 acre-feet of Operating Reserve Water in the Operating Reserve after the date that is three (3) years following the Performance Start Date.

“Operating Reserve Water” means Excess Water in the Operating Reserve at any given time.

“Performance Start Date” means the date set forth in a written notice provided by the District to the Company upon which the District’s performance obligations with respect to the Water Availability Guarantee, the Water Delivery Guarantee, and the Water Treatment Guarantee shall commence, such date not to be more than six months following the Delivery Start Date.

“Product Water Facilities” means the product water conveyance facilities portion of the Project used to transport the AWT Water from the AWT Facilities to the Injection Facilities.

“Project” means the Pure Water Monterey groundwater replenishment project, including (a) Source Water Facilities, (b) AWT Facilities, (c) Product Water Facilities, and (d) Injection Facilities, all as additionally described in **Exhibit B**.

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“Project Operation and Maintenance Expenses” means all expenses and costs of management, operation, maintenance, repair, replacement, renovation, or improvement of the Project incurred by the Agency and the District, including overhead costs, and properly chargeable to the Project in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, including, without limitation (a) salaries, wages, and benefits of employees, contracts for professional services, power, chemicals, supplies, insurance, and taxes; (b) an allowance for depreciation, amortization, and obsolescence; (c) all administrative expenses; and (d) a reserve for contingencies, in each case incurred by the Agency or District with respect to the Project; provided, however, Project Operation and Maintenance Expenses shall not include any damages or other amounts paid by the Agency or the District to the Company as indemnification payments pursuant to Section 22 of this Agreement.

“Regional Treatment Plant” means the Agency’s Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant.

“Required Insurance” means, with respect to the Agency and the District, the insurance each Party is required to obtain and maintain during the term of this Agreement as set forth in Exhibit D.

“Reserve Account” means the account managed by the District that tracks and records (a) quantities of Excess Water delivered to the Delivery Point, and (b) quantities of Reserve Water debited from the Reserve Account to satisfy the Company Allotment.

“Seaside Basin” means the Seaside Groundwater Basin.

“Service Area” means the Company’s service area as of the Effective Date of this Agreement, as shown in **Exhibit A**, and as amended from time-to-time by the CPUC.

“Storage and Recovery Agreement” means the storage and recovery agreement among the Company, the District and the Watermaster that allows for injection of AWT Water into the Seaside Basin for purposes of continued storage or withdrawal.

“Source Water Facilities” means the source water diversion and conveyance facilities portion of the Project used to divert and convey new source waters to the Regional Treatment Plant.

“Watermaster” means the Seaside Groundwater Basin Watermaster.

“Water Availability Guarantee” means the water availability guarantee set forth in Section 13.

“Water Delivery Guarantee” means the water delivery guarantee set forth in Section 12.

“Water Treatment Guarantee” means the water treatment guarantee set forth in Section 14.

OPERATIVE PROVISIONS

3. Commencement of Service.

The Performance Start Date shall be no later than January 1, 2020. Failure of the Agency and the District to meet this deadline shall constitute an Event of Default upon which the Company may terminate this Agreement in accordance with Section 20. The Company shall not incur any costs or be responsible for any payments under this Agreement prior to the Performance Start Date.

4. Term of Agreement.

This Agreement shall be effective as of the Effective Date and shall remain in effect until the date that is thirty (30) years after the Performance Start Date (the “Expiration Date”), unless earlier terminated as provided in this Agreement.

5. Option for Continued Service.

The Company may extend the Expiration Date of this Agreement for one or more periods not to exceed ten (10) years, in total. The Company shall notify the Agency and the District, in writing at least 365 days prior to the then-applicable Expiration Date, of its intent to extend the Expiration Date and such notice shall indicate the new Expiration Date. At the election of any Party, the Parties will meet and confer to consider the Parties’ interest in any additional extension or renewal of an arrangement similar to this Agreement. Such meet-and-confer sessions should take place approximately five (5) years prior to the then-applicable Expiration Date; provided, however, if pursuant to an extension under this Section 5 the new Expiration Date is less than five (5) years following the Company’s notification of the extension, the Parties will meet and confer within a reasonable time prior to the new Expiration Date.

6. Agency and District to Develop Project.

Subject to all terms and conditions of the Agency’s water rights, permits and licenses, and all agreements relating thereto, the Agency and District will cause and complete the design, construction, operation, and financing of the Project, the production and delivery of AWT Water, the obtaining of all necessary authority and rights, consents, and approvals, and the performance of all things necessary and convenient therefor. The Agency will own and operate the Project.

As consideration for funding environmental, permitting, design, and other pre-construction costs, as well as for pledging revenues for repayment of future costs under this Agreement in the event Company Water Payments are insufficient, the District shall (i) own AWT Water for sale and delivery to the Company, (ii) have the right to sell AWT Water to the Company or any Additional Project Participant (if approved by the Company pursuant to Section 19), (iii) have

the right to bill the Company for Company Water Payments or to bill any Additional Project Participant for AWT Water, and (iv) have the right to apply all Company Water Payments to payment of Fixed Project Costs and Project Operation and Maintenance Expenses.

7. Obligation to Pay Design and Construction Costs.

The Agency shall be solely responsible for the design, construction, implementation and performance of the Project, and shall bear all costs associated with such design, construction, implementation and performance. Title to the structures, improvements, fixtures, machinery, equipment, and materials constituting the Project shall remain with the Agency and the Agency shall bear all risk of loss concerning such structures, improvements, fixtures, machinery, equipment, and materials.

8. Obligation to Pay Operation and Maintenance Costs.

The Agency shall be solely responsible for the operation, maintenance, repair and replacement of the Project, and shall bear all costs associated with such operation, maintenance, repair and replacement.

9. Point of Delivery and Ownership of AWT Water.

All AWT Water shall be delivered to the Delivery Point. Water utilized to backflush an injection well that percolates into the ground is considered delivered AWT Water.

The Agency shall own the AWT Water until the point it leaves the AWT Facilities. The District shall own the AWT Water from the point it leaves the AWT Facilities to the Delivery Point. After the Delivery Point, if the water is Company Water, it will be owned by the Company. If, however, the water is Excess Water after the Delivery Point, then ownership of such water shall remain with the District. The District shall own any water in the Reserve Account, until such time as Operating Reserve Water or Drought Reserve Water is used to satisfy the Water Availability Guarantee at which point it shall become Company Water and be owned by the Company.

The Company recognizes and agrees that it acquires no interest in or to any portion of the District's system or any Agency facilities.

Delivery by the District and withdrawal by the Company shall be governed by the Storage and Recovery Agreement.

10. Points of Withdrawal.

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All AWT Water furnished pursuant to this Agreement shall be taken from storage by the Company at the points of withdrawal controlled by the Company and permitted by the California Department of Public Health. The Company shall be solely responsible for operating and maintaining all of its facilities for withdrawal of water.

11. Measurement.

All AWT Water furnished pursuant to this Agreement shall be measured by the Agency at the Delivery Point. Such measurement shall be with equipment chosen by the Agency, installed by the Agency on Agency facilities, and approved by the District and Company in writing. All measuring equipment shall be installed, maintained, repaired and replaced by the Agency. The Agency will provide annual meter calibration by an outside contractor and provide a copy of results of such calibrations to District and Company. The Agency shall have the primary obligation to measure the quantity of AWT Water delivered to the Delivery Point. The Company may request, at any time, investigation and confirmation by the District or Agency of the measurement being made as well as the charges associated with those measurements. Errors in measurement and charges discovered by the investigation will be corrected in a timely manner by the Agency and the District. The Company may, at its own expense, at any time, inspect the measuring equipment and the record of such measurements for the purpose of determining the accuracy of the equipment and measurements.

12. Water Delivery Guarantee.

- (a) Beginning on the Performance Start Date and in every Fiscal Year throughout the term of this Agreement, the Agency shall use its best efforts to deliver AWT Water to the District in quantities at least equal to the Company Allotment.
- (b) Beginning on the Performance Start Date and in every Fiscal Year throughout the term of this Agreement, the District shall use its best efforts to deliver Company Water to the Delivery Point in quantities at least equal to the Company Allotment.
- (c) Beginning on the Performance Start Date and in every Fiscal Year throughout the term of this Agreement, the Agency shall deliver AWT Water to the District in quantities at least equal to the Minimum Allotment (the “Water Delivery Guarantee”).
- (d) Beginning on the Performance Start Date and in every Fiscal Year throughout the term of this Agreement, the District shall deliver Company Water to the Delivery Point in quantities at least equal to the Minimum Allotment (also, the “Water Delivery Guarantee”).

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- (e) All AWT Water delivered by the District to the Delivery Point between the Delivery Start Date and the Performance Start Date shall be deemed Operating Reserve Water and allocated to the Operating Reserve. The Performance Start Date shall not occur until the Operating Reserve Minimum has been allocated to the Operating Reserve. Beginning on the Performance Start Date and in every Fiscal Year throughout the term of this Agreement, the first 3,500 acre-feet of AWT Water delivered to the Delivery Point each Fiscal Year shall be Company Water.

13. Water Availability Guarantee.

- (a) Beginning on the Performance Start Date and throughout the term of this Agreement, the Agency must deliver enough AWT Water to the District so that the Company may draw AWT Water (including Company Water, Operating Reserve Water, and Drought Reserve Water released by the District to the Company) from the Seaside Basin every Fiscal Year in an amount at least equal to the Company Allotment (the “Water Availability Guarantee”).
- (b) Beginning on the Performance Start Date and throughout the term of this Agreement, the District must deliver enough AWT Water to the Delivery Point so that the Company may draw AWT Water (including Company Water, Operating Reserve Water, and Drought Reserve Water released by the District to the Company) from the Seaside Basin every Fiscal Year in an amount at least equal to the Company Allotment (also, the “Water Availability Guarantee”).
- (c) If in any Fiscal Year the District delivers Excess Water, any such amount shall be credited to the Reserve Account. The Reserve Account will have two sub-accounts: the Operating Reserve and the Drought Reserve. The District will allocate all Excess Water into either the Operating Reserve or the Drought Reserve as it shall determine in its sole discretion.
- (d) If the amount of Operating Reserve Water in the Operating Reserve at any time is less than the Operating Reserve Minimum, then all Excess Water in a Fiscal Year must be allocated to the Operating Reserve until the Operating Reserve Minimum is achieved, except for up to 200 acre-feet of Excess Water that may, at the District’s election, be allocated to the Drought Reserve but only if the balance in the Drought Reserve is less than the Drought Reserve Minimum. In no instance shall the District reduce Company Water deliveries to make available additional irrigation water to the Monterey County Water Resources Agency from Agency sources in an amount exceeding the balance available in the Drought Reserve.

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- (e) If in any Fiscal Year the District delivers Company Water to the Delivery Point in quantities less than the Company Allotment, the Company shall have the right, but not the obligation, to draw Operating Reserve Water from the Operating Reserve to make up for any such shortfall in Company Water. In addition, if a shortfall still exists after Operating Reserve Water is drawn by the Company, the District may, in its sole discretion, use Drought Reserve Water available in the Drought Reserve to satisfy the Water Availability Guarantee. Upon the occurrence of the Expiration Date, or the earlier termination of this Agreement as contemplated herein, the Company shall have the right to draw Drought Reserve Water from the Drought Reserve.
- (f) Every three (3) months during the term of this Agreement, beginning on the Performance Start Date, the District will report to the Company the balances and activity in the Operating Reserve and Drought Reserve. In addition, the District shall, with ten (10) days following the Company's request, provide to the Company the balances and activity in the Operating Reserve and Drought Reserve.

14. Water Treatment Guarantee.

All AWT Water delivered by the Agency to the District and by the District to the Delivery Point must meet the water quality requirements set forth in Applicable Law (the "Water Treatment Guarantee"). If at any time the Agency or the District fails to meet the Water Treatment Guarantee, the Agency or the District shall give the Company immediate notice thereof and shall promptly meet with the Company to discuss the circumstances of such failure and the District's and the Agency's proposed action plan for remediation so that the Water Treatment Guarantee will be met. AWT Water delivered by the Agency to the District or by the District to the Delivery Point that does not meet the Water Treatment Guarantee shall not be considered Company Water or Excess Water.

15. Budgeting.

Not later than May 1 each year, the Fixed Project Costs and Project Operation and Maintenance Expenses shall be estimated by the Agency and the District for the following Fiscal Year. Such estimates shall be made available for review by the Parties at least fifteen (15) days prior to adoption by the Agency's or District's respective boards.

16. Rate of Payment for Company Water.

For Company Water furnished to the Company under this Agreement, the Company shall pay Company Water Payments to the District on a monthly basis determined as the Company Water Rate multiplied by the quantity of Company Water delivered the previous month. The Company

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shall not pay for deliveries to the Operating Reserve and the Drought Reserve until such reserves are designated by the Company or the District, as applicable, as Company Water.

The Company Water Rate in each Fiscal Year of the Agreement shall be the sum of the Fixed Project Costs and Project Operation and Maintenance Expenses budgeted for production and delivery of AWT Water in such Fiscal Year, divided by the amount of AWT Water expected to be produced during such Fiscal Year. The Parties agree that the Company shall pay only its proportionate share of the costs of the Agency and the District producing AWT Water. As Project Operation and Maintenance Expenses are projected or budgeted for the upcoming Fiscal Year, the Parties agree there will be a “true-up” or reconciliation at the end of every Fiscal Year following the Performance Start Date to ensure the principles set forth in this section are met.

The Parties agree that, given the status of the Agency and the District as governmental agencies and the requirements under law that they incur only reasonable and prudent costs and expenses for purposes related to their governmental duties and the fact that such costs and expenses are subject to public review and scrutiny, all Fixed Project Costs and Project Operation and Maintenance Expenses incurred by the Agency and the District in compliance with the terms of this Agreement shall be deemed reasonable and prudent and the CPUC, by its approval of this Agreement, shall be deemed to have agreed that such costs are reasonable and prudent.

The District covenants and agrees to pay to the Agency the revenues received from the Company from the Company Water Payments provided, however, it will reduce the payment amount by any portion of the Fixed Project Costs and Project Operation and Maintenance Expenses directly paid or incurred by the District.

17. Time and Method of Payments.

The District shall send the Company a detailed monthly statement of charges due for all Company Water delivered to the Delivery Point during the preceding month as measured by the Agency meters, which shall be read on a monthly basis, and all Operating Reserve Water and Drought Reserve Water used to satisfy the Water Availability Guarantee. The Company shall not be billed for Excess Water that goes into the Reserve Account.

The Company shall pay to the District all undisputed portions of statements, within forty-five (45) days after receipt. Statements shall be mailed to the Company at the following address:

California American Water Company
Director of Operations
511 Forest Lodge Rd # 100
Pacific Grove, CA 93950

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The Agency shall send the District a monthly statement of charges due for all AWT Water actually delivered to the District during the preceding month as measured by the meters, which shall be read on a monthly basis. The District shall pay all statements within forty-five (45) days after receipt. Statements shall be mailed to the District at the following address:

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District
Administrative Services Division Manager
5 Harris Court, Building G
Monterey, CA 93940

If payment of any amount due hereunder is not made when due, excluding disputed amounts, simple interest will be payable on such undisputed amount at the legal rate of interest charged on California judgments, as provided in California Code of Civil Procedure Section 685.010, and shall be calculated on the basis of a 365-day year from the date such payment is due under this Agreement until paid.

The Company is obligated to pay to the District the undisputed amounts becoming due under this Agreement, notwithstanding any individual default by its water users or others in the payment to the Company of assessments or other charges levied by the Company.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

18. CPUC Rate Recovery Process.

All costs that the Company pays to the District pursuant to this Agreement shall be considered purchased water costs that are a pass-through to customers to be recovered via the Modified Cost Balancing Account (“MCBA”) mechanism.

At least six (6) months prior to the Performance Start Date, at least one time between May 1 and June 1 of every year thereafter, and at any time throughout the term of this Agreement the District deems necessary, the District shall provide the Company with written notice of the Company Water Rate, supported by detailed information relating to the Fixed Project Costs and the estimated Operation and Maintenance Expenses to be incurred in the upcoming Fiscal Year that were used to determine the Company Water Rate. Within sixty (60) days following receipt of the written notice containing the Company Water Rate, the Company shall file a Tier 1 advice letter for rate recovery with the CPUC to update its rates and tariffs, and in doing so establish a surcharge rate to reflect the Company Water Rate.

All changes to the Company Water Rate resulting from annual increases or decreases to the Fixed Project Costs or Project Operation and Maintenance Expenses, as reflected in the Company Water Rate, shall be requested for rate recovery through a Tier 1 advice letter in accordance with Section 3.2 of Water Industry Rules in General Order 96-B, as amended from

time to time, for processing expense offset rate changes. The rate change will be applied to the surcharge to ensure that the Company's customer rates remain aligned with the Company Water Rate under the Agreement.

The Company shall have no obligation to make Company Water Payments unless and until the CPUC approves payment and recovery of those payments in rates through the process set forth in General Order 96-B, including a Tier 1 advice letter, which is effective upon filing pending CPUC approval, or another process resulting in CPUC approval of such costs, which shall be diligently pursued by the Company. Failure of the Company to pay amounts in excess of the amount approved by the CPUC shall not constitute a breach, and the District and Agency shall not be relieved of any obligations hereunder as a result thereof.

Access to the books and records of the Agency and the District will be made available to the Company for purposes of reviewing the accuracy and reasonableness of all costs relating to the Project and determination of the Company Water Rate.

19. Additional Project Participants.

After giving sixty (60) days' prior written notice to the Company, the District and Agency may enter into water purchase agreements for AWT Water with Additional Project Participants subsequent to the Effective Date of this Agreement to the extent the District determines sufficient capacity exists (after accounting for the need to maintain the Operating Reserve Minimum and the Drought Reserve Minimum), to the extent there is no additional cost to the Company as a result of any such agreement, and to the extent any such agreement does not adversely affect the Agency's or the District's ability to meet their performance obligations under this Agreement.

In order to not diminish the source waters available to produce AWT Water under this Agreement, the Company shall have the right, prior to the District or the Agency entering into any water purchase agreement for AWT Water and in the Company's sole discretion, to approve or not approve in writing any Additional Project Participants deriving water from the water sources identified for the Project, specifically source waters identified in Sections 1.04 and 2.02 of the Amended and Restated Water Recycling Agreement between the Agency and Monterey County Water Resources Agency, dated November 3, 2015.

The Company shall not have the right to approve Additional Project Participants deriving water from prior existing rights to wastewater flows to the Regional Treatment Plant pursuant to Section 4.01 of the Agency's agreement with Monterey County Water Resources Agency or from future additional sources, as yet unidentified, such as wastewater systems annexed to the Agency's service area.

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Any Additional Project Participant will pay for all additional capital costs necessitated by existence of the new water purchase agreement, its proportionate share of both the unamortized capital costs of the Project, and its proportionate share of future operation and maintenance expenses of the Project. The District and Agency will provide supporting documentation to the Company to ensure the Company Water Payments do not include any costs properly allocable to an Additional Project Participant.

20. Breach, Event of Default and Termination.

- (a) Remedies for Breach – The Parties agree that, except as otherwise provided in this section with respect to termination rights, if any Party breaches this Agreement, any other Party may exercise any legal rights it may have under this Agreement and under Applicable Law to recover damages or to secure specific performance. No Party shall have the right to terminate this Agreement for cause except upon the occurrence of an Event of Default. If a Party exercises its rights to recover damages upon a breach of this Agreement or upon a termination due to an Event of Default, such Party shall use all reasonable efforts to mitigate damages. If a Force Majeure Event occurs, the Affected Party shall be entitled to relief from determination of a breach pursuant to Section 23 of this Agreement.
- (b) If the District fails to exercise, and diligently pursue, any legal rights it may have against the Agency pursuant to subsection (a) of this section 20 within forty-five (45) days after the Company’s written request that the District do so, the District shall be deemed to have assigned to the Company all such legal rights. The Agency shall not object to any such assignment, but shall not waive any defense it may otherwise assert to any claim brought by the Company.
- (c) Event of Default – The following shall each constitute an “Event of Default” under this Agreement:
 - (1) The Delivery Start Date does not occur on or before July 1, 2019;
 - (2) The Performance Start Date does not occur on or before January 1, 2020;
 - (3) The failure of the Agency or the District to deliver Company Water to the Delivery Point in quantities at least equal to the Company Allotment in each of three consecutive Fiscal Years;

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- (4) The failure of the Agency or the District to meet the Water Delivery Guarantee in each of two consecutive Fiscal Years;
 - (5) The failure of the Agency or the District to deliver Company Water to the Delivery Point in quantities at least equal to 1,800 acre-feet in any Fiscal Year;
 - (6) The failure of the Agency or the District to meet the Water Availability Guarantee in any Fiscal Year;
 - (7) The failure of any Party to perform any material term, covenant, or condition of this Agreement, and the failure continues for more than thirty (30) days following the defaulting Party's receipt of written notice of such default from a non-defaulting Party; provided, however, that if and to the extent such default cannot reasonably be cured with such thirty (30) day period, and if the defaulting Party has diligently attempted to cure the same within such thirty (30) period and thereafter continues to diligently attempt to cure the same, then the cure period provided for herein shall be extended from thirty (30) days to one-hundred twenty (120) days;
 - (8) The failure of the Agency or the District to meet the Water Treatment Guarantee on a repeated basis; and
 - (9) The Company no longer has a statutory duty to serve water in the Service Area.
- (d) Termination for Event of Default – If an Event of Default occurs, any non-defaulting Party may terminate this Agreement immediately upon written notice to the other Parties. A non-defaulting Party may enforce any and all rights and remedies it may have against a defaulting Party under Applicable Law.

21. Dispute Resolution.

Representatives from each Party shall meet and use reasonable efforts to settle any dispute, claim, question or disagreement (a "Dispute") arising from or relating to this Agreement. To that end, the Parties' representatives shall consult and negotiate with each other in good faith and, recognizing their mutual interests, attempt to reach a just and equitable solution satisfactory to the Parties. If the Parties do not reach such a solution within a period of thirty (30) days after the first notice of the Dispute is received by the non-disputing Parties, then the Parties shall pursue non-binding mediation to be completed within one-hundred twenty (120) days after the notice of the Dispute is received by the non-disputing Parties. If the Parties do not settle the Dispute

within the one-hundred twenty (120) day period, any Party may pursue any and all available legal and equitable remedies.

22. Indemnification.

Each Party (an “Indemnifying Party”) shall fully indemnify the other Parties and their respective officers, directors, employees, consultants, contractors, representatives and agents (the “Indemnified Persons”) against, and hold completely free and harmless from, all liability and damages including any cost, expense, fine, penalty, claim, demand, judgment, loss, injury and/or other liability of any kind or nature, including personal or bodily injury, death or property damage, that are incurred by or assessed against the Indemnified Persons and directly or indirectly caused by, resulting from, or attributable to the fault, failure, breach, error, omission, negligent or wrongful act of the Indemnifying Party, or its officers, directors, employees, consultants, contractors, representatives and agents, in the performance or purported performance of the Indemnifying Party’s obligations under this Agreement, but only to the extent of and in proportion to the degree of fault, failure, breach, error, omission, negligent or wrongful act of the Indemnifying Party, or its officers, directors, employees, consultants, contractors, representatives and agents.

23. Force Majeure Event Relief.

- (a) If a Force Majeure Event occurs, the Affected Party shall be entitled to (1) relief from its performance obligations under this Agreement to the extent the occurrence of the Force Majeure Event prevents or adversely affects Affected Party’s performance of such obligations, and (2) an extension of schedule to perform its obligations under this Agreement to the extent the occurrence of the Force Majeure Event prevents or adversely affects Affected Party’s ability to perform such obligations in the time specified in this Agreement. The occurrence of a Force Majeure Event shall not, however, excuse or delay the other Parties’ obligation to pay monies previously accrued and owing to Affected Party under this Agreement, or for Affected Party to perform any obligation under this Agreement not affected by the occurrence of the Force Majeure Event.
- (b) Upon the occurrence of a Force Majeure Event, Affected Party shall notify the other Parties in accordance with the notice provisions set forth herein promptly after Affected Party first knew of the occurrence thereof, followed within fifteen (15) days by a written description of the Force Majeure Event, the cause thereof (to the extent known), the date the Force Majeure Event began, its expected duration and an estimate of the specific relief requested or to be requested by the Affected Party. Affected Party shall use commercially reasonable efforts to reduce costs resulting from the occurrence of the Force Majeure Event, fulfill its performance obligations under the Agreement and otherwise mitigate the

adverse effects of the Force Majeure Event. While the Force Majeure Event continues, the Affected Party shall give the other Parties a monthly update of the information previously submitted. The Affected Party shall also provide prompt written notice to the other Parties of the cessation of the Force Majeure Event.

24. Amendments.

No change, alteration, revision or modification of the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall be made, and no verbal understanding of the Parties, their officers, agents or employees shall be valid, except through a written amendment to this Agreement duly authorized and executed by the Parties.

25. Remedies Not Exclusive.

The use by any Party of any remedy for the enforcement of this Agreement is not exclusive and shall not deprive the Party using such remedy of, or limit the application of, any other remedy provided by law.

26. Mitigation of Damages.

In all situations arising out of this Agreement, the Parties shall attempt to avoid and minimize the damages resulting from the conduct of another Party.

27. Failure of CPUC Approval.

If this Agreement is not approved by the CPUC in a manner acceptable to the Parties, any Party may, within sixty (60) days after the effective date of the decision or order of the CPUC relating to the approval of this Agreement, give written notice to the other Parties that the Agreement will terminate ten (10) days after receipt of such notice. Those acts and obligations that are to be performed on or after the Execution Date shall be discharged and no Party shall thereafter be obligated to continue to perform this Agreement or any provision hereof. Whether this Agreement is approved by the CPUC in a manner acceptable to the Parties or not, those acts and obligations performed prior to the date of termination shall be final and no party shall have any claim to be restored to its pre-Execution Date status with regard to any of those acts or obligations.

28. Insurance.

The Agency and District will each obtain the applicable Required Insurance, as set forth in Exhibit D. If insurance proceeds fail to satisfy the obligations of the Agency or the District

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under this Agreement, the District and the Agency will utilize their own resources, including Prop 218 revenue raising capacity, to the extent allowable by law, to satisfy their obligations.

29. No Waiver.

Failure by a Party to insist upon the strict performance of any of the provisions of this Agreement by another Party, irrespective of the length of time for which such failure continues, shall not constitute a waiver of such Party's right to demand strict compliance by such other Party in the future. No waiver by a Party of any default or breach shall affect or alter this Agreement, and each and every covenant, term, and condition hereof shall continue in full force and effect to any existing or subsequent default or breach.

30. Successors in Interest, Transferees, and Assignees.

- (a) This Agreement and all the rights and obligations created by this Agreement shall be in full force and effect whether or not any of the Parties to this Agreement have been succeeded by another entity, or had their interests transferred or assigned to another entity, and all rights and obligations created by this Agreement shall be vested and binding on any Party's successor in interest, transferee, or assignee. If the Company, the Agency or the District is succeeded by another entity, it shall assign this Agreement to its successor. If the District ceases to exist, the Agency and the Company shall continue their obligations hereunder in a manner that will substantively comply with the intent of this Agreement. Except as provided in subsection (b) of this Section 30, no succession, assignment or transfer of this Agreement, or any part hereof or interest herein, by a Party shall be valid without the prior written consent of the other Parties, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld.
- (b) In the event of the creation of a local governmental agency duly established for the sole purpose of succeeding to, assuming, and performing all obligations and rights of Agency or District created by this Agreement, Agency or District may assign this Agreement and all those obligations and rights to such local governmental agency without consent, written or otherwise, of any other Party.

31. Condition Precedent.

The obligations, duties, conditions, and terms of this Agreement shall become and be binding only upon and after the execution of an agreement between Company and Agency for a long term outfall capacity rights lease whereby Agency agrees to lease a portion of capacity in its ocean outfall (consisting of 12,742 lineal feet of buried land pipe and 11,286 lineal feet of underwater ocean pipeline) to Company for the purpose of brine concentrate discharge from a desalination plant proposed for construction by Company.

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The Parties hereby agree that the paragraph immediately above describes and is a condition precedent as defined by California Civil Code, Section 1436.

Nothing in this Section is or shall be construed to be a commitment by either District or Company to finally enter into the described outfall capacity rights lease, or a commitment to any particular provisions that may become part of such lease.

32. Covenants and Conditions.

All provisions of this Agreement expressed either as covenants or conditions on the part of the District, Agency, or the Company shall be deemed to be both covenants and conditions.

33. Governing Law.

This Agreement and the rights and obligations of the Parties shall be governed, controlled and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of California.

34. Headings.

All headings are for convenience only and shall not affect the interpretation of this Agreement.

35. Construction of Agreement Language.

The provisions of this Agreement shall be construed as a whole according to its common meaning and purpose of providing a public benefit and not strictly for or against any Party. The Agreement shall be construed consistent with the provisions hereof, in order to achieve the objectives and purposes of the Parties. Wherever required by the context, the singular shall include the plural and vice versa, and the masculine gender shall include the feminine or neutral genders or vice versa.

36. Drafting Ambiguities.

This Agreement is the product of negotiation and preparation between the Parties. The Parties and their counsel have had the opportunity to review and revise this Agreement. The Parties waive the provisions of Section 1654 of the Civil Code of California and any other rule of construction to the effect that ambiguities are to be resolved against the drafting Party, and the Parties warrant and agree that the language of this Agreement shall neither be construed against nor in favor of any Party unless otherwise specifically indicated.

37. Partial Invalidity; Severability.

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If any provision of this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void or unenforceable, the remaining provisions will nevertheless continue in full force without being impaired or invalidated in any way.

38. No Third Party Beneficiaries.

Nothing in this Agreement is intended to create any third Party beneficiaries to the Agreement, and no person or entity other than the Parties and the permitted successors, transferees and assignees of either of them shall be authorized to enforce the provisions of this Agreement.

39. Relationship of the Parties.

The relationship of the Parties to this Agreement shall be that of independent contractors. Each Party shall be solely responsible for any workers compensation, withholding taxes, unemployment insurance, and any other employer obligations associated with the described work or obligations assigned to them under this Agreement.

40. Signing Authority.

The representative of each Party signing this Agreement hereby declares that authority has been obtained to sign on behalf of the Party such person is representing.

41. Further Acts and Assurances.

The Parties agree to execute, acknowledge and deliver any and all additional papers, documents and other assurances, and shall perform any and all acts and things reasonably necessary in connection with the performance of the obligations hereunder and to carry out the intent of the Parties.

42. Opinions and Determinations.

Where the terms of this Agreement provide for action to be based upon opinion, judgment, approval, review or determination of any Party hereto, such terms are not intended to be and shall never be construed as permitting such opinion, judgment, approval, review or determination to be arbitrary, capricious or unreasonable.

43. Interpretation of Conflicting Provisions.

If there is any conflict, discrepancy or inconsistency between the provisions of this Agreement and the provisions of any exhibit or attachment to this Agreement, the provisions of this Agreement shall prevail and control.

44. Integration.

This Agreement, including the exhibits, represent the entire Agreement between the Parties with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement and shall supersede all prior negotiations, representations, or agreements, either written or oral, between the Parties as of the Effective Date.

45. Counterparts.

All signatures need not appear on the same counterpart of this Agreement and all counterparts of this Agreement shall constitute one and the same instrument.

46. Notices.

All notices to a Party required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed delivered (i) when delivered in person; (ii) on the third day after mailing, if mailed, postage prepaid, by registered or certified mail (return receipt requested); or (iii) on the day after mailing if sent by a nationally recognized overnight delivery service which maintains records of the time, place, and recipient of delivery. Notices to the Parties shall be sent to the following addresses or to other such addresses as may be furnished in writing by one Party to the other Parties:

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District
5 Harris Court, Building G
Monterey, CA 93940
Attention: General Manager

Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency
5 Harris Court, Building D
Monterey, CA 93940
Attention: General Manager

California American Water
Attn: President
1033 B Avenue, Suite 200
Coronado, CA 92118

SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first above written.

**MONTEREY REGIONAL WATER POLLUTION
CONTROL AGENCY,**

By: _____

[NAME]
Board Chair, Agency Board of Directors

**MONTEREY PENINSULA WATER MANAGEMENT
DISTRICT,**

By: _____

[NAME]
Chair, District Board of Directors

CALIFORNIA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY,

By: _____

Robert G. MacLean
President

EXHIBIT A

Service Area

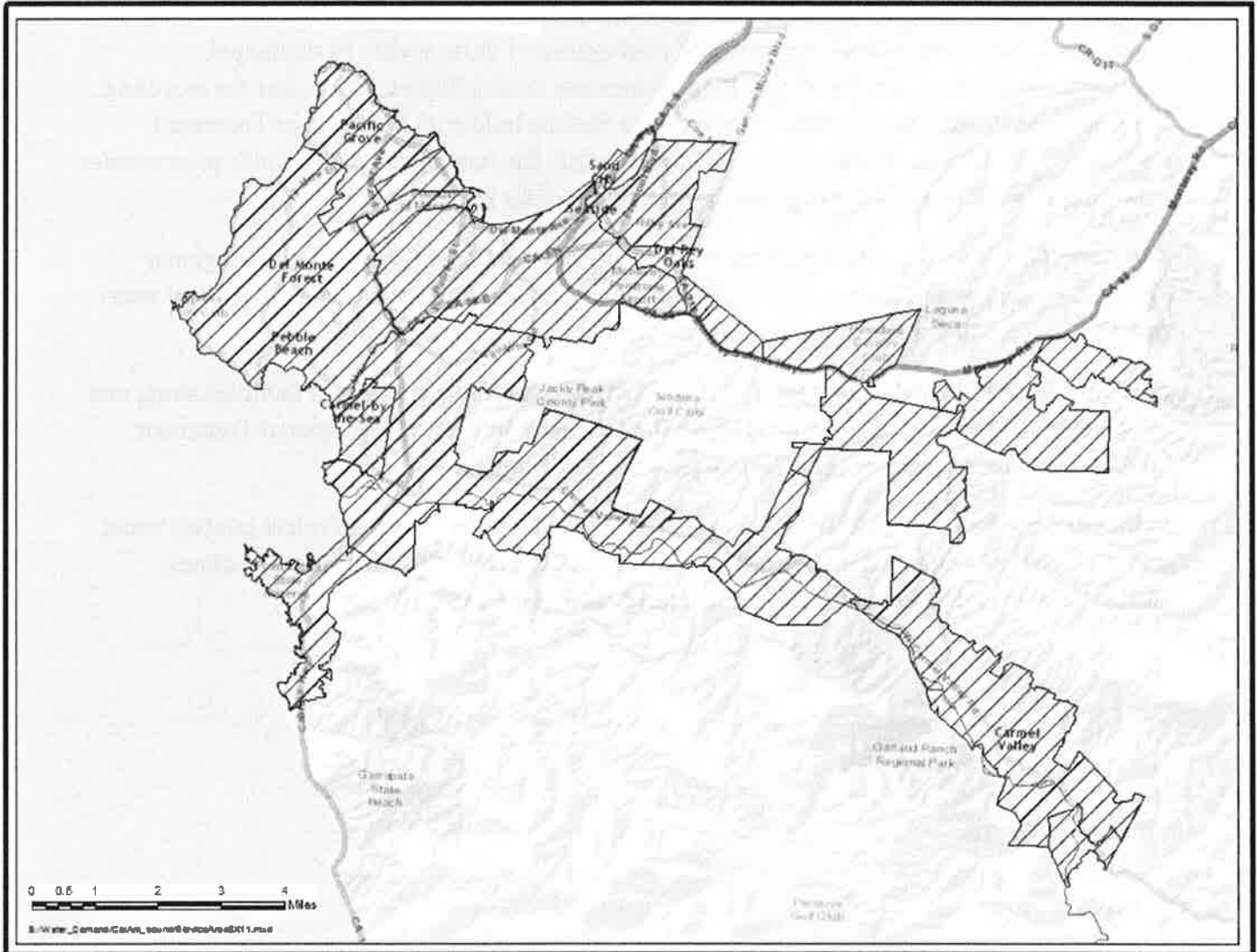


EXHIBIT B

Description of Project

Source Water Facilities – facilities to enable diversion of new source waters to the existing municipal wastewater collection system and conveyance of those waters as municipal wastewater to the Regional Treatment Plant to increase availability of wastewater for recycling. Modifications would also be made to the existing Salinas Industrial Wastewater Treatment Facility to allow the use of the existing treatment ponds for storage of excess winter source water flows and later delivery to the Regional Treatment Plant for recycling.

AWT Facilities – use of existing primary and secondary treatment facilities at the Regional Treatment Plant, as well as new pre-treatment, advanced water treatment (AWT), product water stabilization, product water pump station, and concentrate disposal facilities.

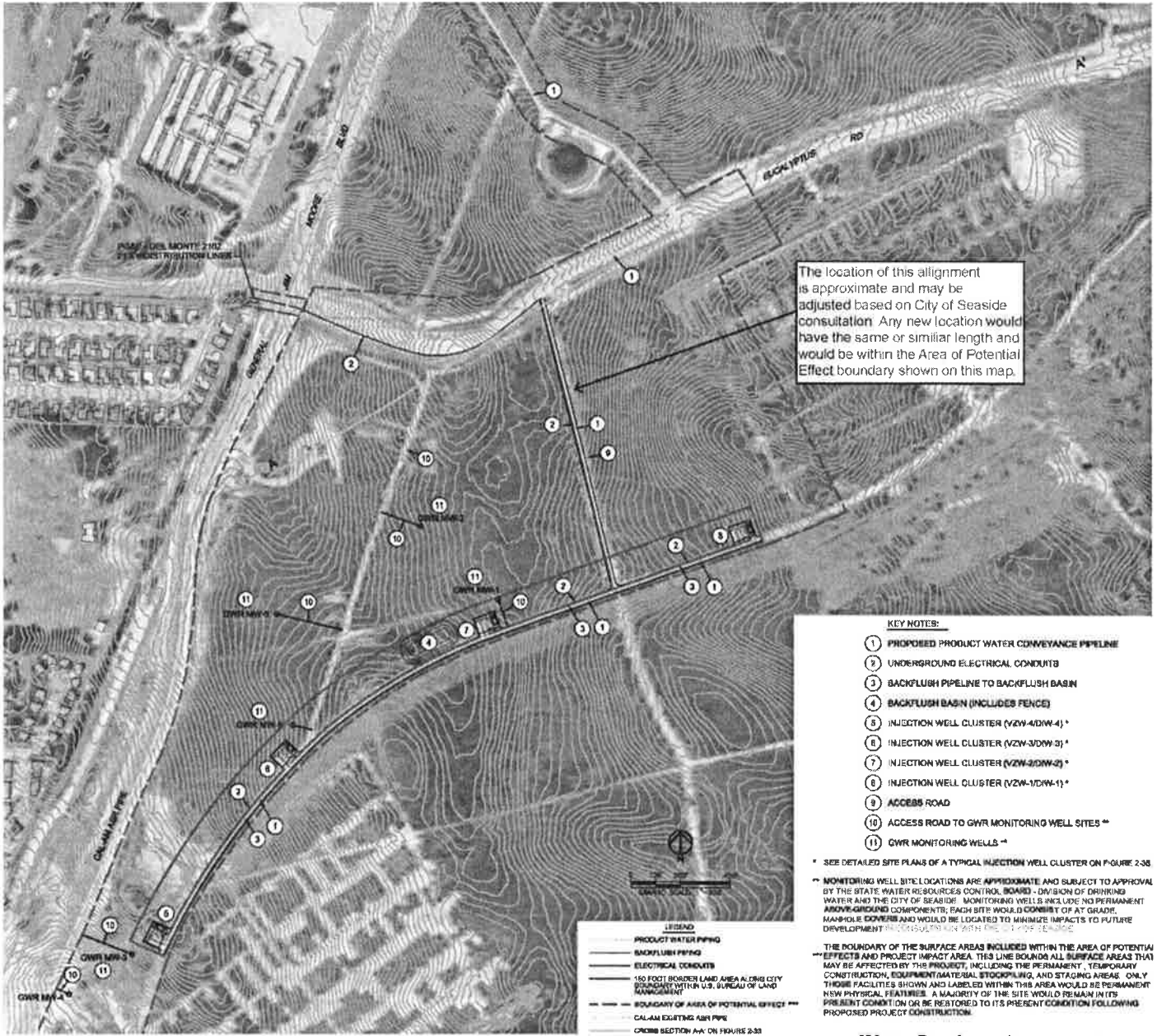
Product Water Facilities – new pipelines, booster pump station, appurtenant facilities along one of two optional pipeline alignments to move the product water from the Regional Treatment Plant to the Seaside Groundwater Basin injection well facilities.

Injection Facilities – new deep and vadose zone wells to inject Proposed Project product water into the Seaside Groundwater Basin, along with associated back-flush facilities, pipelines, electricity/ power distribution facilities, and electrical/motor control buildings.

EXHIBIT C

Delivery Point

AWT Water will be injected into the Seaside Groundwater Basin using new injection wells. The proposed new Injection Well Facilities will be located east of General Jim Moore Boulevard, south of Eucalyptus Road in the City of Seaside, including up to eight injection wells (four deep injection wells, four vadose zone wells, in pairs identified as #5, #6, #7, and #8 in the figure below), six monitoring wells, and back-flush facilities.



The location of this alignment is approximate and may be adjusted based on City of Seaside consultation. Any new location would have the same or similar length and would be within the Area of Potential Effect boundary shown on this map.

EXHIBIT D

Required Insurance

Agency:

The Agency shall obtain and maintain the following insurance coverage during the term of this Agreement:

[TO BE PROVIDED]

District:

The District shall obtain and maintain the following insurance coverage during the term of this Agreement:

[TO BE PROVIDED]