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Board of Water Commissioners

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CHRISTOPHER J. GARNER, General Manager

Subject

Authorize the General Manager to accept the terms and conditions associated with the US Bureau of Reclamation's WaterSMART: Drought Response Program for the Water System Optimization and Supply Management Study.

Executive Summary

In December 2021, Long Beach Water Department (LBWD) staff submitted a grant funding application to the US Bureau of Reclamation's (USBR) WaterSMART: Drought Response Program for the Water System Optimization and Supply Management Study (Study). LBWD's application was successful and selected for funding in the amount of \$100,000 with a 50-percent matching fund requirement. The Board authorized the Study in October 2020 for an amount not to exceed \$406,800. The Study kicked off in December 2020 and will be completed by December 2022.

For this grant process, USBR did not require a resolution for the application and they are not requiring a signed agreement. LBWD staff is requesting Board authorization to accept the terms and conditions for the grant through drawing down funds from the available grant award.

Recommendation

Authorize the General Manager to accept the terms and conditions associated with the US Bureau of Reclamation's WaterSMART: Drought Response Program for the Water System Optimization and Supply Management Study.

Fiscal Impact: Per the agreement with USBR, \$100,000 in grant funds with a 50-percent matching fund requirement will be available. The estimated project cost of the Study is not to exceed \$406,800. These costs are included in the Water Fund FY 22 budget and financial projections.

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