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Board of Water Commissioners

CHRISTOPHER J. GARNER, General Manager

June 9, 2022

Subject

Adopt Resolution No. WD-1466 authorizing the General Manager to sign and file all necessary documents associated with the application for the Bureau of Reclamation Fiscal Year 2023 WaterSMART Drought Response Program for the Two New Wells Project: Commission 23A and El Dorado 2 Wells.

Executive Summary

The Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) WaterSMART Drought Response program establishes a framework to provide Federal leadership and assistance to stretch and secure water supplies for the future. With WaterSMART Grants, USBR provides cost-sharing funding on a competitive basis to implement projects that will build long-term resiliency to drought.

The Fiscal Year 2023 funding opportunity provides for awards up to \$5 million with a 50-percent matching fund requirement. Applications are due on June 15, 2022 and a resolution from the Board of Water Commissioners is required as part of the grant application.

Long Beach Water Department (LBWD) staff and LBWD's contracted grant consultant, Engineering Solutions Services, reviewed USBR's Notice of Funding Opportunity and recommends that LBWD apply for a grant to support the Two New Wells Project: Commission 23A and El Dorado 2 Wells. This project has a total estimated cost of \$10 million and will begin in FY 22 and is projected to be completed in FY 26.

Recommendation

Adopt Resolution No. WD-1466 authorizing the General Manager to sign and file all necessary documents associated with the application for the Bureau of Reclamation Fiscal Year 2023 WaterSMART Drought Response Program for the Two New Wells Project: Commission 23A and El Dorado 2 Wells.

Fiscal Impact: If selected, up to \$5 million in 50-percent matching Federal funds will be available per the agreement. Construction of the Two New Wells Project is estimated to cost approximately \$10 million from FY 22 to FY 26. These figures are included in the FY 22 budget and financial projections through FY 26.

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Assistant General Manager

Christopher J. Garner
General Manager

Attachment

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1 RESOLUTION NO. WD-1466

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3 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF WATER
4 COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH
5 AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO SIGN AND
6 SUBMIT ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS ASSOCIATED
7 WITH THE APPLICATION FOR THE UNITED STATES
8 DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR, BUREAU OF RECLAMATION
9 FISCAL YEAR 2023 WATERSMART DROUGHT RESPONSE
10 PROGRAM FOR THE TWO NEW WELLS PROJECT:
11 COMMISSION 23A AND EL DORADO 2 WELLS
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13 WHEREAS, the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of
14 Reclamation (USBR) WaterSMART Drought Response Program establishes a framework
15 to provide Federal leadership and assistance to increase water conservation and improve
16 the efficient use of water and energy; and

17 WHEREAS, with WaterSMART grants, USBR provides cost-sharing funding
18 on a competitive basis to implement projects that will build long-term resiliency to
19 drought; and

20 WHEREAS, in order for the Long Beach Water Department to receive and
21 expend grant funding, the USBR requires the Board of Water Commissioners to adopt a
22 resolution identifying the official with the legal authority to enter into an agreement with
23 USBR, and authorize the official to commit the Long Beach Water Department to the
24 financial and legal obligations associated with receipt of the WaterSMART Drought
25 Response Program Grant financial assistance;

26 NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Water Commissioners of the City of
27 Long Beach resolves as follows:

28 Section 1. Approves and supports the filing of an application with the

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1 United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation for Fiscal Year 2023
2 WaterSMART Drought Response Program for the Two New Wells Project: Commission
3 23A and El Dorado 2 Wells, and further authorizes the expenditure of funds.

4 Section 2. Appoints the General Manager as agent of the Long Beach
5 Water Department to conduct all negotiations and execute and submit all documents,
6 including, but not limited to, applications, contracts, amendments, payment requests, in
7 compliance with all applicable laws, which may be necessary for the completion of the
8 aforementioned Project.

9 Section 3. Directs the General Manger to work with the USBR to meet
10 established deadlines for entering into a cooperative agreement.

11 Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its
12 adoption by the Board, and the Secretary to the Board shall certify the vote adopting this
13 Resolution.

14 I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Board of Water
15 Commissioners of the City of Long Beach at its meeting on
16 _____, 2022 by the following vote:

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18 Ayes: Commissioners: _____
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21 Noes: Commissioners: _____

22 Absent: Commissioners: _____

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26 Secretary
Board of Water Commissioners

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