

*Before the Board of Supervisors
County of Monterey, State of California*

Resolution No.: 26-114

- Adopt a Resolution:)
- a. Authorizing submittal of a Financial Assistance application in)
the amount of \$4 million to the State of California - State)
Water Resources Control Board, Division of Financial)
Assistance, Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF))
Program for funding of the San Lucas Water District Clean)
Drinking Water Supply Project (Project) in San Lucas,)
California; and)
 - b. Authorizing the Director of Public Works, Facilities, and Parks)
(PWFP) to sign and file the application on behalf of the County)
of Monterey and to act as agent for the County in processing all)
documentation to secure these funds; and)
 - c. Directing PWFP staff to return to the Board of Supervisors for)
approval prior to acceptance of any grant award(s).)

WHEREAS San Lucas is a small, severely disadvantaged farming community located in the unincorporated area of the County of Monterey (County), immediately east of State Highway 101 approximately 8 miles south of King City; and

WHEREAS San Lucas County Water District (SLCWD) is an independent special district serving approximately 325 people through 100 water service connections; and

WHEREAS the existing water system in the San Lucas system has failed to meet the needs of the community, and the system's deficiencies have previously been thoroughly investigated and characterized, including water quality testing results indicating elevated levels of nitrates leading to issuance of a "Do Not Drink" order for San Lucas by the County of Monterey, Department of Health, Environmental Health Bureau (EHB) in 2016, an order that is still in effect for the community; and

WHEREAS these water quality issues have precipitated the need to establish a long-term solution for the SLCWD that will restore a high-quality potable water source for the community; and

WHEREAS the County is interested in providing or connecting to a certified water system to provide a cost effective, regulatory compliant, and environmentally/sustainable solution for public water at San Lucas; and

WHEREAS the County does not presently have funds available to pursue the construction of a water treatment system, or to possibly connect to another existing certified system without financial assistance; and

WHEREAS the State of California has contracted with a private consulting engineering firm who has completed Engineering Reports and are currently preparing an Addendum to focus specifically on SLCWD's selected preferred alternative calling for the installation of two wells/water sources, installation of a new water treatment system, and necessary infrastructure (including transmission and distribution system improvements); and

WHEREAS the State of California, State Water Resources Control Board has informed the County of a specific grant opportunity resulting from a \$4 million Earmark by the State Legislature for financial assistance to be applied to construction costs associated with the San Lucas Water District Clean Drinking Water Supply Project (Project) and submitting a grant application to the State is required to obtain the appropriated funds; and

WHEREAS the County wishes to apply for financial assistance from the State of California for funding the construction of Phase 1 of the San Lucas Water District Clean Drinking Water Supply Project (Project).

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey hereby authorizes and hereby determines that:

1. The Director of Public Works, Facilities and Parks or his/her designee (the "Authorized Representative") is authorized and directed to sign and file, for and on behalf of the County of Monterey, a financial assistance application in the amount of \$4 million to the State of California Water Resources Control Board, Division of Financial Assistance, Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program for funding of the San Lucas Water District Clean Drinking Water Supply Project (Project) in San Lucas, California.
2. This Authorized Representative is designated to provide the assurances, certifications, and commitments required for the financial assistance application, including executing a financial assistance agreement from the State and any amendments or changes thereto.
3. This Authorized Representative is designated to represent the County of Monterey in carrying out the County's responsibilities under the financing agreement, including certifying disbursement requests on behalf of the County and compliance with applicable state and federal laws.
4. The Authorized Representative is authorized and directed to submit this Resolution and any corresponding or necessary supporting materials to the State of California - State Water Resources Control Board.
5. Staff is directed to return to the Board of Supervisors for approval prior to acceptance of any grant award(s).

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 14th day of April 2026, by roll call vote:

AYES: Supervisors Alejo, Lopez, Root Askew and Daniels

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Supervisor Church not present when vote was taken

I, Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original order of said Board of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book 82 for the meeting on April 14, 2026.

Dated: April 14, 2026
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Agenda Item No.: 53

Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Monterey, State of California


Margarita Hernandez, Deputy