

*Before the Board of Supervisors in and for the
County of Monterey, State of California*

Resolution No.: 24-257

Adopt a Resolution:

- a. Authorizing the submittal of a Financial Assistance)
Application to the State Water Resources Board)
Drinking Water State Revolving Fund for funding)
planning, design, environmental review, and)
construction of a possible centralized water treatment)
system at Laguna Seca Recreation Area ; and)
- b. Authorizing the Director of Public Works, Facilities,)
and Parks to sign and file the application on behalf of)
Monterey County and to act as agent for the County in)
processing all documentation to secure these funds; and)
- c. Directing Public Works, Facilities and Parks staff to)
return to the Board of Supervisors for approval prior to)
acceptance of any grant award(s).)

WHEREAS, the County of Monterey (County) is the owner of the Laguna Seca Recreation Area (LSRA) in Salinas, California; and

WHEREAS, the County ground water well which supplies the LSRA Complex has been found to have arsenic levels above safe drinking levels according to the United States Environmental Protection Agency. In addition to arsenic, elevated levels of iron, sulfate, nitrate, potassium, copper, manganese and bicarbonates have been identified in the water samples and from data from nearby groundwater wells; and

WHEREAS, the Monterey County Health Department (MCHD) issued Compliance Order No. 16-001 (Compliance Order) in January 2016, to notify the County that the current water system at Laguna Seca does not meet the conditions specified in their Domestic Water Supply Permit; and

WHEREAS, the County is interested is providing or connecting to a centralized water treatment system to provide a more cost effective, regulatory compliant, and environmentally superior/sustainable solution for public water at LSRA; and

WHEREAS, the County has learned that the State of California Water Resources Control Board may be able to provide financial assistance through its Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) or from the Small Community Drinking Water Funding Program to assist the County with the costs of design, environmental work, and construction related to the possible provision of a centralized water treatment system at LSRA; and

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

WHEREAS, the County wishes to apply for financial assistance from the State through the DWSRF Program to assist with the costs of necessary design, environmental work, and construction of (or connection to another) centralized water treatment system.

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, a financial assistance application to the DWSRF for funding planning, design, environmental review, and construction of (or connection to) a centralized water treatment system at LSRA
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 Water Resources Control Board and any amendments or changes thereto.
3. This Authorized Representative is designated to represent the County 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 Director of Public Works, Facilities, and Parks is authorized and directed to submit this Resolution and any corresponding or necessary supporting materials to the State Water Resources Board.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 16th day of July 2024, by roll call vote:

AYES: Directors Church, Lopez, and Adams

NOES: None

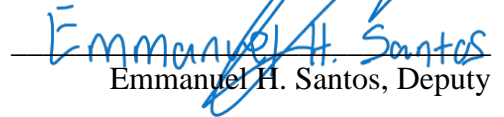
ABSENT: Directors Alejo & Askew

Motion passed 3 to 0

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 July 16, 2024.

Dated: July 17, 2024
File ID: RES 24-136
Agenda Item No. 36

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


Emmanuel H. Santos, Deputy