

**MONTEREY COUNTY WATER RESOURCES AGENCY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Resolution No. 19-_____

Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the Monterey County Water Resources Agency to:

Authorize and direct the Auditor-Controller to amend the Water Resources Agency's FY 2019-20 Adopted Budget as follows:

- a. Increase appropriations in Fund 130 – Hydro-Electric Operations (130-9300-8490-WRA022) in the amount of \$300,000 financed by Unassigned Fund Balance; (4/5 vote required); and
- b. Increase appropriations in Fund 116 – Dam Operations (116-9300-8485-WRA006) in the amount of \$600,000 financed by a transfer of \$300,000 from Fund 130 – Hydro-Electric Operations (130-9300-8490-WRA022) and \$300,000 financed by Unassigned Fund Balance; (4/5 vote required).

WHEREAS, the Monterey County Water Resources Agency (Agency) is working with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFW) and the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) to develop a Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP);

WHEREAS, funding for tasks associated with the HCP were not included in the Agency's FY 2019-20 Budget and an amendment of \$300,000 is necessary to continue defining the HCP's scope. To fund these efforts beyond the current fiscal year, the Agency applied for a \$1 million grant from the USFW and a response is expected by the end of the fiscal year. If the grant is not awarded, further funding options will be explored;

WHEREAS, the Agency has been diligently working to address its funding shortages and evaluating different revenue sources. Following a six-month research process, staff has determined that a viable option to partially address these shortages is a Proposition 218 special assessment election for deferred maintenance at San Antonio and Nacimiento Reservoirs, including the rehabilitation of the San Antonio spillway;

WHEREAS, at the October 21, 2019 Board of Director's (BOD) meeting, staff presented an item to pursue this option and the BOD approved staff's recommendation. Additionally, the BOD approved a \$300,000 agreement with Wallace Group to assist with project management, assessment methodology, and a Proposition 218 special assessment election; and

WHEREAS, the recommendation to pursue a Proposition 218 special assessment was presented to the Board of Supervisors (BOS) at its November 5, 2019 meeting and the BOS approved the recommendation with the modification to have staff return at a later date with a revised scope for the Proposition 218. The BOS approved the agreement with Wallace Group. The \$300,000 required to fund the agreement was not part of the Agency's FY 2019-20 budget.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Supervisors of the Monterey County Water Resources Agency does hereby:

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PASSED AND ADOPTED upon motion of Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____, and carried this _____ day of _____, 2019, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

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___ for the meeting on _____.

Dated:

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

By _____
, Deputy