Attachment A

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

Resolution No.: _____

Acting as the Board of Directors of the Pajaro County Sanitation District, adopt a Resolution:

a. Authorizing the submittal of a Financial Assistance Application to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Community Grants Program for funding of The Pajaro County Sanitation District (PCSD) Sanitary Sewer System Improvements project; and)
b. Authorizing the Director of Public Works, Facilities, and Parks (PWFP), or designee, to act as agent for the County of Monterey/PCSD in processing all documentation to secure these funds and to sign and file the application on behalf of the County of Monterey and PCSD; and)
c. Direct PWFP staff to return to the Board of Supervisors for approval prior to acceptance of any grant award(s).)

WHEREAS the County of Monterey, Pajaro County Sanitation District (PCSD) is the owner and operator of the PCSD Wastewater System, approximately 23 miles northwest of Salinas, California; and

WHEREAS the PCSD Wastewater System consists of a wastewater collection system consisting of approximately 1,700 billing units within the communities of Pajaro, Las Lomas, and Bay Farms; and

WHEREAS the PCSD Wastewater System collects and then transports wastewater to the Watsonville Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) for disposal and treatment (located adjacent to the Pajaro River, approximately 2 miles west of the community of Pajaro); and

WHEREAS the County completed CCTV inspections and a condition assessment of the entire PCSD sewer collection system in 2022; and

WHEREAS the CCTV inspections and condition assessment identified 93 required improvements within the PCSD sewer collection system. These sewer system improvements were ranked based on priority of completion, and a detailed Capital Improvement Program (CIP) was created.

WHEREAS to prevent the leakage of contaminated wastewater into the groundwater and local waterways, and to prevent disruption of service due to systems failure, as well as to minimize the potential of sanitary sewer system overflows, the County of Monterey/PCSD must implement the highest priority system improvements from the CPI; and

WHEREAS former President Biden signed the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 Consolidated Appropriations Act (P.L. 118-42) into law on March 9, 2024. The Appropriations Act for FY- 2024 identifies *The Pajaro County Sanitation District Sewer System Improvements* as an eligible project to be appropriated $1,500,000 from the Community Grants Program; and

WHEREAS neither the County of Monterey nor the PCSD have funds available to pursue the needed wastewater system improvements without financial assistance; and the County of Monterey plans to apply for financial assistance from the EPA through their Community Grants Program to assist with the costs to implement the highest priority repairs.

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

a. 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 Monterey County, a financial assistance application for a grant from the EPA for funding the costs associated with planning, design, environmental review, and construction of restoration and repairs to the Pajaro County Sanitation District (PCSD) Wastewater System; and

b. 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 EPA and any amendments or changes thereto; and

c. This Authorized Representative is designated to represent the County of Monterey/PCSD in carrying out the County's responsibilities under the financial assistance agreement, including certifying disbursement requests on behalf of the County and compliance with applicable state and federal laws.

d. 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 EPA.

e. 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 10th day of June 2025 by roll call vote:

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 resolution of said Board of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book _____, for the meeting on June 10, 2025.

Dated: _____

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

By: _____
Deputy