

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-06

**A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CASTROVILLE
COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT AUTHORIZING A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
APPLICATION FOR ENHANCEMENT OF EXISTING DISTRICT WATER
INFRASTRUCTURE**

WHEREAS, the Castroville Community Services District (“District”) is a Community Services District created pursuant to Government Code Section 61000; and

WHEREAS, the District has supplied water service to the Community of Castroville since its inception in 1952; and

WHEREAS, Castroville is a Severely Disadvantaged Community as defined under the American Community Survey; and

WHEREAS, currently the funding for the daily operations and maintenance comes from water sales. If revenue is used for needed capital improvements the District would need to add these costs to the water bills thus raising the rates on an already severely disadvantaged community.

WHEREAS, The District requires financial assistance to add a new well and treatment facilities including an additional 6,300,000-gallon Storage tank and appurtenances to facilitate receiving the new water source as well as remediating the deficiencies and defects in existing facilities of the Castroville CSD water distribution system and to mitigate the environmental and health risks presented by the current condition of the existing Castroville CSD water system, should it lose another well supplying the distribution system.

WHEREAS, as the District applied to Department of Water Resources for an Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Disadvantaged Community Involvement Grant (“Grant”) for \$397,000; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Water Management Foundation (“RWMF”) administers the Grant funding; and

WHEREAS, Grant funding is available under the Proposition 1 Implementation Grant Funds; and.

WHEREAS, Replacement of existing water facilities are categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Section 15302 of the CEQA Guidelines. CEQA review therefore is not required for the District to apply for financial assistance for such work.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Castroville Community Services District Board of Directors:

1. Authorizes and directs the District's General Manager and designates the General Manager as the District's "Authorized Representative", to prepare, sign and file, for and on behalf of the Castroville Community Services District, a Financial Assistance Application to obtain Proposition 1 Grant funding from the IRWMP for the planning, design, and construction of repair, replacement, rehabilitation and improvement to existing Castroville CSD water distribution system facilities.

2. The District's Authorized Representative is authorized and designated to provide the assurances, certifications, and commitments required for the financial assistance application, including executing a financial assistance grant agreement, and any amendments or changes thereto, with the Grantee.

3. The District's Authorized Representative is designated to represent the District in carrying out the District's responsibilities under a Grant Agreement or financing agreement, including certifying disbursement requests on behalf of the District and complying with applicable state and federal laws.


PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Castroville Community Services District duly held on the 16th day of June 2020, by the following vote.

Ayes: Director(s) Oania, Padilla, Stefani & Cochran

Noes: Director(s) Ø

Absent: Director(s) Melgoza

Abstained: Director(s) Ø

ATTEST:

Lidia Santos, Secretary
(SEAL)


James Cochran, Vice President