

RESOLUTION NO: 18-4
CASTROVILLE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
COUNTY OF MONTEREY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

AUTHORIZING A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION FOR ENHANCEMENT OF EXISTING
CASTROVILLE WATER INFRASTRUCTURE

RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS (BOARD) OF THE CASTROVILLE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT (DISTRICT), at a regular meeting duly called and held on July 17, 2018 at the business office of the District, 11499 Geil Street, Castroville, California, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Board makes the following findings of fact:

- A. Castroville is a Severely Disadvantaged Community as defined under the American Community Survey.
- B. The District has supplied water service to the Community of Castroville since it's inception in 1952.
- C. Since discovering Well #3's elevated Chloride levels indicative of seawater intrusion.
- D. The MCWRA's latest seawater intrusion map (2015) shows the Castroville community's source water supply is threatened with seawater intrusion that has been identified as being within a quarter mile of all four of the Districts domestic water Supply wells.
- E. Currently the funding for the daily operations and maintenance comes from water sales. If revenue is used for needed capital improvements the CCSD would need to add these costs to the water bills thus raising the rates on an already severely disadvantaged community.
- F. 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 water distribution system and to mitigate the environmental and health risks presented by the current condition of the existing Castroville water should it lose another well supply distribution system facilities.
- G. Grant funding is available under the USDA's ECWAG Emergency Community Water Assistance Grant.
- H. District Counsel advises that repairs to existing water facilities are categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines and Sections 21080(9) and 21084 of the Public Resources Code. CEQA review therefore is not required for the District to apply for financial assistance for such work.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The Board hereby 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 ECWAG Grant funding from the USDA for the planning, design, and construction of repair, replacement, rehabilitation and improvement to existing Castroville 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 USDA.

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

The foregoing resolution was duly and properly introduced at a regular meeting of the Castroville Community Services District Board of Directors duly held on July 17, 2018, and passed and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: *Wania, Cochran & Stefani*
NOES: *0*
ABSENT: *Meigoza & Montejano*
ABSTAIN: *0*

Mon Stefani

of the Board
Director

Attest:

Ridia Santo

Secretary of the Board



CERTIFICATION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the CASTROVILLE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT held on July 17, 2018.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lidia Santos". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Lidia Santos, Secretary of the Board