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# NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Phillip Miller for Steven Lederer - Director of Public Works

**Public Works** 

**REPORT BY:** Howard Siegel, Contractor - 259-8600

SUBJECT: Actions Related to the MST Recycled Water Project

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Director of Public Works requests the following actions related to the Milliken-Sarco-Tulocay Recycled Water Project:

- Find that the Board has considered and approves the Napa Sanitation District MST Area Project Imola
  Avenue Addendum to the Environmental Impact Report and Supplemental Information Document to the
  Environmental Impact Statement;
- 2. Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Amendment No. 5 to Agreement No. 7350 with Napa Sanitation District (NSD), increasing the authorization by \$288,866 for a new maximum of \$2,667,250;
- 3. Adoption of a Resolution pledging revenues and funds for repayment of a state loan;
- Adoption of a Resolution authorizing the Director of Public Works and the Deputy Director of Public Works
  for Flood Control and Water Resources (as designee) to file a Financial Assistance Application with the
  State Water Resources Control Board; and
- 5. Adoption of a Resolution to reimburse expenditures paid prior to issuance of obligations.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Milliken-Sarco-Tulocay (MST) basin has been designated as a groundwater deficient area for over 15 years. The County, in conjunction with Napa Sanitation District (NSD), has been participating in the planning and construction of a recycled water pipeline to help alleviate the problem.

Both agencies are members of the North Bay Water Reuse Authority (NBWRA), through whose auspices this project has received both Federal and State funding and environmental review and approval. In December 2009, the Board adopted a resolution approving the proposed project and its Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS) under both State (CEQA) and Federal (NEPA) environmental

requirements.

Although a portion of this project has already been constructed, the completion of the remaining 5 miles of pipeline has been contingent upon both the adequate funding of the Community Facilities District (CFD), formed in 2012, and the completion of an easement agreement with the State of California allowing a Booster Pump Station (BPS) to be constructed on the grounds of the Napa State Hospital (NSH). Since this location for the BPS is different than the location originally envisioned, an Addendum to the Project EIR/EIS has been prepared and circulated for public comment. (Note: NEPA certification has been completed by NBWRA with the US. Bureau of Reclamation). Approval of the Addendum is a requested action.

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The three resolutions being considered are required as part of the State Revolving Loan Fund application that the County has submitted to finance the construction of the MST Pipeline. The resolutions authorize submittal of a financial assistance application, commitment of the CFD revenues to repay the loan and state that the County intends to reimburse expenses paid prior to loan approval.

## PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Staff reports.
- 2. Public comments.
- 3. Motion, second, discussion and vote on the item.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? Yes
Is it currently budgeted? Yes

Where is it budgeted? Public Works Capital Improvement Program-Fund 1000, Subdivision 12205-

00, Program 05001

Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? Discretionary

Discretionary Justification: If approved the requested amendment and proposed cost increase will

reimburse Napa Sanitation District for: a) annual dues for NBWRA

membership, b) additional engineering work to complete the Booster Pump Station design, and c) final cost increases related to the Imola Extension

Pipeline.

Is the general fund affected? No

Future fiscal impact: NBWRA dues and staff expenses will continue until the project is completed.

Consequences if not approved: The MST Recycled Water Project might not be completed.

Additional Information:

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The Napa County Board of Supervisors is acting as a responsible agency pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and State CEQA Guidelines, Section 15096, and has considered the environmental effects of the Project indicated in the Addendum to the MST Recycled Water Project Environmental Impact Report (EIR). Please note the Federal (NEPA) aspect of this document has been certified by the NBWRA and its lead agency, the Sonoma County Water Agency.

#### **BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION**

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The project outcome is still uncertain. Thus far legally binding commitments to fund the CFD amounting to nearly \$600,000 annually for 20 years have been received. Based upon engineer's estimates, project financing would require a minimum annual debt service of approximately \$642,000. Thus the outcome of the bidding process is

crucial to proceeding with construction. If bids come out even higher than expected, either additional funding must be identified or construction postponed until more CFD participants can be voluntarily annexed.

## **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

- A . Addendum to the EIR
- B . Resolution Pledging Revenues
- C . Authorizing Resolution
- D . Reimbursement Resolution

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Molly Rattigan