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# Napa Sanitation District **Board Agenda Letter**

TO: Honorable Board of Directors

FROM: Jeff Tucker - Director of Administrative Services/CFO

**NS-Administration** 

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SUBJECT: Approve The Attached Three Resolutions Approving Various Aspects of NapaSan's SRF Loan for

the Browns Valley Trunk Project

## RECOMMENDATION

Approve the attached three resolutions regarding the Browns Valley Trunk Project (SRF Project #8244) pledging revenues, stating an intent to reimburse, and requesting a Local Match loan.

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

As part of the Proposition 218 process in Spring 2016, NapaSan included in its long-term financing plans the resources necessary to fund the Browns Valley Trunk project. The increase in sewer service charges is intended to pay debt service payments on a Clean Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) loan with the State Water Resources Control Board.

NapaSan is currently in the final review stages of the SRF loan application process. Several resolutions by the NapaSan Board are necessary to pledge revenues, establish its intent to reimburse expenses from loan proceeds and to take part in the Local Match loan program.

The Resolution to Pledge Revenues indicates that the Board is willing to pledge all of its available revenues to pay for the debt service on the loan. The specific language in the resolution establishes that this loan will be on parity with other debt obligations of the District. A similar resolution was passed in 2016; however, there was an error in that resolution's wording that requires this new resolution to be adopted.

The Resolution stating NapaSan's Intent to Reimburse Expenditures is necessary to allow the costs of design, engineering and environmental consulting for the project to be reimbursed and included in the project financing. A similar resolution was passed by the Board in 2016; however, with the inclusion of the West Napa Pump Station replacement in the project, it is necessary to adopt a new resolution.

The Resolution stating NapaSan's intent to request a Local Match loan is necessary to allow NapaSan to take advantage of the favorable financing terms. Under this program, NapaSan will pay 16.667% of the project costs up front as a "Local Match." In exchange, the 30-year loan will bear interest at 0%. This arrangement allows NapaSan to move up in priority within the SRF funding program, and results in an "imputed interest rate" of 1.2%, better than the current 2.0% interest rate in the SRF program.

## FISCAL IMPACT

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

Where is it budgeted? The budget for the project is included in the 10-Year Capital Plan. The 10-Year

Financial Plan includes increases in sewer service charges necessary to

meet future debt service payments on this loan.

Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? Discretionary

Discretionary Justification: This item is a priority item in the Board's Strategic Plan.

Is the general fund affected? Yes

Future fiscal impact: Execution of the SRF Loan will commit sewer service charges over the 30

years of debt service payments.

Consequences if not approved: Without the SRF loan process, NapaSan would need to find alternative

financing for the project.

Additional Information: None.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

## **BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION**

None.

## **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

- A. Resolution Pledge Revenues
- B. Resolution Intent to Reimburse
- C. Resolution Local Match

Reviewed By: Jeff Tucker