

**RESOLUTION NO: 19-328**

**A RESOLUTION OF MISSION HILLS COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT APPROVING STAFF TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SANTA BARBARA COUNTY INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT (IRWM) PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, the Mission Hills Community Services District (the "District") is a community services district duly formed under California Government Code Section 61000 *et seq.* to provide community services within the District's service area ("District Service Area"), including water and sewer services; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2002 Senate Bill 1672 created the IRWM Act to encourage local agencies to work cooperatively to manage and improve water supply reliability and water quality; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2002 California voters passed Proposition 50, the Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act, which provided \$500 million to fund competitive grants for projects consistent with an adopted IRWM Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2005 Santa Barbara County Water Agency (Water Agency), along with 29 cities, special districts, joint powers authorities, non-governmental organizations, and water companies (Cooperating Partners) created a process to promote and practice integrated regional water management strategies through the development and adoption in 2007 of an IRWM Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2006 California voters passed Proposition 84, the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act, which provided \$5.388 billion statewide of which \$1 billion was allocated for IRWM; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2013 the Santa Barbara County IRWM Plan was updated in accordance with the State Department of Water Resources (DWR) 2012 IRWM Plan Standards and Guidelines used to implement the Proposition 84 grant program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Water Agency acts as the single eligible grant recipient responsible for administration of IRWM grants, functioning as a pass-through agency between DWR and local project proponents; and

**WHEREAS**, on behalf of the Cooperating Partners, the Water Agency applied for and had been granted over \$30 million for 27 water-related plans and projects within the Santa Barbara County IRWM region through Propositions 50 and 84; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2014 California voters passed Proposition 1, the Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act, which provides \$510 million in IRWM funding for Implementation, Planning and Disadvantaged Community Involvement efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, on behalf of the Cooperating Partners, the Water Agency applied for and has been allocated through Proposition 1, \$865,207 for Disadvantaged Community Involvement efforts and approximately \$6.3 million for Implementation projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2019 Santa Barbara County IRWM Plan update was completed in accordance with the Department of Water Resources (DWR) 2016 IRWM Plan Standards and Guidelines used to implement the Proposition 1 grant program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Water Agency, on behalf of the Cooperating Partners, prepared a Notice of Exemption in accordance with CEQA for preparation of the 2019 IRWM Plan; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Directors of Mission Hills Community Services District approves Staff to work with the Santa Barbara County IRWM Group to move forward with proposed projects and programs included in the Santa Barbara County adopted 2019 Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWMP):

<http://www.countyofsb.org/pwd/water/irwmp/plan-2019.sbc>

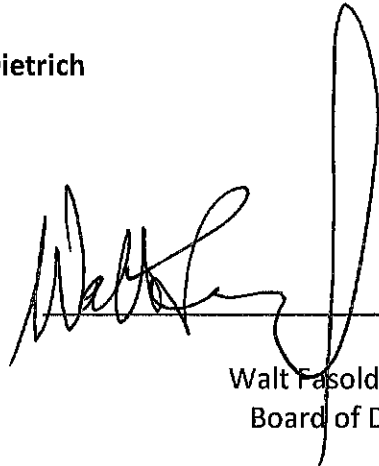
**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Directors of Mission Hills Community Services District, State of California, on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February 2019 on motion of Director Fasold, seconded by Director Heavin, and on the following roll call vote,

**AYES:** Fasold, Heavin, Naughton, Dietrich

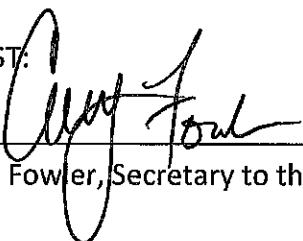
**NAYS:**

**ABSENT:** Nix

**ABSTAIN:**



Walt Fasold, President  
Board of Directors

ATTEST:   
Casey Fowler, Secretary to the Board