



State Water Resources Control Board

June 25, 2021

Crestline Sanitation District
Attn: Rick Dever – General Manager
24516 Lake Drive
Crestline, CA 92325

Agreement Number: SWRCB0000000000D2001046
Project Number: C-06-8516-110

Enclosed is your Agreement for your approval and signature. This Agreement cannot be considered binding by either party until executed by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board).

If you are in agreement with all terms and conditions of the Agreement, please sign and date **two (2) signature** pages; return only the two (2) signature pages – it is not necessary to send the entire Agreement - **no later than thirty (30) calendar days from the date of this letter to:**

Overnight Mail

Amor Moskaira
State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Financial Assistance
1001 I Street, 16th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

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Division of Financial Assistance
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Sacramento, CA 94244-2120

In order for the Funding Agreement to be executed by the State Water Board, the following items must also be returned with the signed signature pages:

1. Opinion of General Counsel.

Be aware that all projects receiving funding must comply with all applicable implementing guidelines and regulations adopted by California Department of Industrial Relations (DIR), regarding state prevailing wage requirements. You must contact DIR for guidance on how to comply. Information can be found at: <http://www.dir.ca.gov/lcp.asp>.

Additional Compliance Requirements:

Davis Bacon Compliance:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/srf/davisbacon.shtml

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE)

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/srf/docs/policy0513/dbe_compliance_guidelines_instructions.pdf

Ms. Moskaira may be contacted at (916) 449-5627 or Amor.Moskaira@waterboards.ca.gov

Once the Agreement is signed by both parties, we will forward an executed copy to you for your records.

Enclosures

[Date]

State Water Resource Control Board
Division of Financial Assistance
Attn: Amor Moskaira
1001 I St., 16th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Crestline Sanitation District (“District”)
Huston Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant Dewatering Building and Primary Clarifier
Project No. C-06-8516-110 (“Project”)
Construction Installment Sale Agreement No. [XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX] (“Agreement”)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This firm serves as General Counsel to the District in connection with the Project. This opinion is delivered to the State Water Resources Control Board (“State Water Board”) at the request of the District. In connection therewith, I have examined the laws pertaining to the District, originals of the Agreement between the District and the State Water Board (“Agreement”), the District’s authorizing Resolution No. 062 adopted on October 15, 2019, the District’s reimbursement Resolution No. 061 adopted on October 15, 2019, the District’s rate-setting Ordinance No. 2015-6 adopted on October 5, 2015 (collectively, “the Resolutions”), the District’s debt management policy, documents related to each of the Material Obligations as set forth in the Agreement, and such other documents, legal opinions, instruments and records, and have made such investigation of law, as I have considered necessary or appropriate for the purpose of this opinion.

Based on the foregoing, it is my opinion that:

a. The District, a special district of the State of California duly organized, validly existing under the laws of the State of California pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 4700 et seq., has the requisite legal right, power, and authority to execute and deliver the Agreement and carry out and consummate all transactions contemplated therein.

b. The Resolutions have been duly adopted at meetings of the District which were called and held pursuant to applicable law with all public notice required by law and at which a quorum was present and acting when the Resolutions were adopted. The Resolutions are in full force and effect and have not been amended, modified, supplemented, or rescinded, nor has the rate-setting Ordinance been challenged or the rates become subject of a referendum or initiative or other similar process.

c. To the best of my knowledge and based upon a reasonable investigation, all proceedings required by law or under the ordinances or bylaws of the District to be taken by the District in connection with the authorization of the Agreement and the transactions contemplated by and related thereto, and all such approvals, authorizations, consents or other orders or filings or registrations with such public boards or bodies, if any, as may be legally required to be obtained by the District prior to the date hereof with respect to all or any of such matters have been taken or obtained and are in full force and effect, except that no opinion is expressed as to any approvals, obligations or proceedings which may be required under any federal securities laws or state blue sky or securities laws.

d. To the best of my knowledge and based upon a reasonable investigation, the execution and delivery of the Agreement and the consummation of the transactions therein will not conflict with or constitute a breach of or default (with due notice or the passage of time or both) under (i) the statutes creating the District or any amendments thereto, (ii) the ordinances or by laws of the District, (iii) any bond, debenture, note or other evidence of indebtedness, or any material contract, agreement or lease to which the District is a party or by which it or its properties are otherwise subject or bound, or (iv) any applicable law or administrative regulation or any applicable court or administrative decree or order.

e. To the best of my knowledge and based upon a reasonable investigation, the District has sufficient property rights in the Project property for the purposes contemplated in the Agreement and has complied with the requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. 4601) with respect to any property acquired for the purposes of the Project. Project property rights extend in perpetuity.

f. To the best of my knowledge and based upon a reasonable investigation, there is no action, suit, proceeding, inquiry or investigation before or by any court of federal, state, municipal or other governmental authority pending or threatened against or affecting the District's System, as defined in the Agreement, or the assets, properties or operations of the District relating to its System which, if determined adversely to the District or its interests would result in any material change in the assets or financial condition of the District, the District's System or the financial condition thereof, and the District is not in default with respect to any order or decree of any court or any order, regulation, or demand of any federal, state, municipal, or

other governmental agency which default might have consequences that would materially and adversely affect the financial condition of the District or its System.

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[Date]

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g. No facts have come to my attention which lead me to believe that the District's authorized representative has made any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted or omits to state a material fact or has made misleading statements in the Agreement.

h. The Agreement has been duly authorized, executed, and delivered, and assuming due authorization, execution and delivery of the Agreement by the State Water Board, constitutes legal, valid, and binding obligation of the District enforceable against the District in accordance with its terms, subject to the laws relating to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, or creditor's rights generally and to the application of equitable principles, if equitable remedies are sought.

Sincerely,

BRUNICK, McELHANEY & KENNEDY

Steven M. Kennedy
General Counsel, Crestline Sanitation District

cc: Rick Dever, District General Manager



CLEAN WATER

CRESTLINE SANITATION DISTRICT

AND

CALIFORNIA STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD



CONSTRUCTION INSTALLMENT SALE AGREEMENT

HUSTON CREEK WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT
DEWATERING BUILDING AND PRIMARY CLARIFIER PROJECT

PROJECT NUMBER C-06-8516-110

AGREEMENT NO. SWRCB0000000000D2001046

PROJECT FUNDING AMOUNT: \$9,000,000
ESTIMATED REASONABLE PROJECT COST: \$10,310,000

ELIGIBLE WORK START DATE: JULY 1, 2018
ELIGIBLE CONSTRUCTION START DATE: MARCH 26, 2021
CONSTRUCTION COMPLETION DATE: JANUARY 30, 2024
FINAL DISBURSEMENT REQUEST DATE: JULY 31, 2024
FINAL PAYMENT DATE: JANUARY 30, 2054
RECORDS RETENTION END DATE: JANUARY 30, 2059

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AGREEMENT

1. AUTHORITY.

(a) The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is authorized, and implements its authority, to provide financial assistance under this Agreement pursuant to Section 13475 et seq. of the Water Code, and Resolution Nos. 2019-0064 and 2020-0023.

(b) The Recipient is authorized to enter into this Installment Sale Agreement (Agreement) pursuant to Resolution No. 062, dated October 15, 2019.

2. INTENTION.

(a) The Recipient desires to receive financial assistance for and undertake work required for the wastewater construction Project according to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

(b) The State Water Board proposes to assist in providing financial assistance for eligible costs of the Project in the amount set forth in Exhibit B, according to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, with the expectation that the Recipient shall repay all of the financial assistance to the State Water Board.

(c) The Recipient intends to evidence its obligation to submit Payments to the State Water Board and secure its obligation with Net Revenues of its wastewater enterprise, as set forth in Exhibit B, according to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

(d) The Recipient intends to certify and evidence its compliance with the Tax Covenants set forth in Exhibit F.

3. AGREEMENT, TERM, DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE.

In consideration of the mutual representations, covenants and agreements herein set forth, the State Water Board and the Recipient, each binding itself, its successors and assigns, do mutually promise, covenant, and agree to the terms, provisions, and conditions of this Agreement.

(a) The Recipient hereby sells to the State Water Board and the State Water Board hereby purchases from the Recipient the Project. Simultaneously therewith, the Recipient hereby purchases from the State Water Board, and the State Water Board hereby sells to the Recipient, the Project in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement. All right, title, and interest in the Project shall immediately vest in the Recipient on the date of execution and delivery of this Agreement by both parties without further action on the part of the Recipient or the State Water Board.

(b) Subject to the satisfaction of any condition precedent to this Agreement, this Agreement shall become effective upon the signature of both the Recipient and the State Water Board. Conditions precedent are not limited to the following:

- i. The Recipient must deliver to the Division a resolution authorizing this Agreement.
- ii. The Recipient must deliver an opinion of general counsel satisfactory to the State Water Board's counsel dated on or after the date that the Recipient signs this Agreement.

(c) Upon execution, the term of the Agreement shall begin on the Eligible Work Start Date and extend through the Final Payment Date.

(d) This Agreement includes the following exhibits and attachments thereto:

"Authorized Representative" means the duly appointed representative of the Recipient as set forth in the certified original of the Recipient's authorizing resolution that designates the authorized representative by title.

"Bank" means the California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank.

"Bond Funded Portion of the Project Funds" means any portion of the Project Funds which was or will be funded with Bond Proceeds.

"Bond Proceeds" means original proceeds, investment proceeds, and replacement proceeds of Bonds.

"Bonds" means any series of bonds issued by the Bank, the interest on which is excluded from gross income for federal tax purposes, all or a portion of the proceeds of which have been, are, or will be applied by the State Water Board to fund all or any portion of the Project Costs or that are secured in whole or in part by Payments paid hereunder.

"Charge In Lieu of Interest" means any fee or charge in lieu of some or all of, but not to exceed, the interest that would otherwise be owed under this Agreement, as set forth in Exhibit E.

"Code" as used in Exhibit F of this Agreement means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and any successor provisions and the regulations of the U.S. Department of the Treasury promulgated thereunder.

"Completion of Construction" means the date, as determined by the Division after consultation with the Recipient, that the work of building and erection of the Project is substantially complete, and is identified in Exhibit A of this Agreement.

"Cover Page" means the front page of this Agreement.

"Days" means calendar days unless otherwise expressly indicated.

"Debt Service" means, as of any date, with respect to outstanding System Obligations and, in the case of the additional debt tests in Exhibit B of this Agreement, any System Obligations that are proposed to be outstanding, the aggregate amount of principal and interest scheduled to become due (either at maturity or by mandatory redemption), together with any Charge In Lieu of Interest on this Obligation or other System Obligations to the State Water Board, calculated with the following assumptions:

- a. Principal payments (unless a different subdivision of this definition applies for purposes of determining principal maturities or amortization) are made in accordance with any amortization schedule published for such principal, including any minimum sinking fund payments;
- b. Interest on a variable rate System Obligation that is not subject to a swap agreement and that is issued or will be issued as a tax-exempt obligation under federal law, is the average of the SIFMA Municipal Swap Index, or its successor index, during the 24 months preceding the date of such calculation;
- c. Interest on a variable rate System Obligation that is not subject to a swap agreement and that is issued or will be issued as a taxable obligation under federal law, is the average of LIBOR, or its successor index, during the 24 months preceding the date of such calculation;
- d. Interest on a variable rate System Obligation that is subject to a swap agreement is the fixed swap rate or cap strike rate, as appropriate, if the variable rate has been swapped to a fixed rate or capped pursuant to an interest rate cap agreement or similar agreement;

- i) A determination pursuant to Gov. Code section 11137 that the Recipient has violated any provision in Article 9.5 of Chapter 1 of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code; or
- j) Loss of the Recipient's rights, licenses, permits, or privileges necessary for the operation of the System or the Project, or the occurrence of any material restraint on the Recipient's enterprise by a government agency or court order.

"Final Disbursement Request Date" means the date set forth as such on the Cover Page of this Agreement, after which date, no further Project Funds disbursements may be requested.

"Final Payment Date" is the date by which all principal and accrued interest due under this Agreement is to be paid in full to the State Water Board and is specified on the Cover Page of this Agreement.

"Fiscal Year" means the period of twelve (12) months terminating on June 30 of any year, or any other annual period selected and designated by the Recipient as its Fiscal Year in accordance with applicable law.

"Force Account" means the use of the Recipient's own employees, equipment, or resources for the Project.

"GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles, the uniform accounting and reporting procedures set forth in publications of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants or its successor, or by any other generally accepted authority on such procedures, and includes, as applicable, the standards set forth by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board or its successor, or the Uniform System of Accounts, as adopted by the California Public Utilities Commission for water utilities.

"Initiation of Construction" means the date that notice to proceed with work is issued for the Project, or, if notice to proceed is not required, the date of commencement of building and erection of the Project.

"Listed Event" means, so long as the Recipient has outstanding any System Obligation subject to Rule 15c2-12, any of the events required to be reported with respect to such System Obligation pursuant to Rule 15c2-12(b)(5).

"Material Obligation" means an obligation of the Recipient that is material to this transaction, including System Obligations.

"Maximum Annual Debt Service" means the maximum amount of Debt Service due on System Obligations in a Fiscal Year during the period commencing with the Fiscal Year for which such calculation is made and within the next five years in which Debt Service for any System Obligations will become due.

"Net Revenues" means, for any Fiscal Year, all Revenues received by the Recipient less the Operations and Maintenance Costs for such Fiscal Year.

"Obligation" means the obligation of the Recipient to make Payments (including Additional Payments) as provided herein, as evidenced by the execution of this Agreement, proceeds of such obligations being used to fund the Project as specified in the Project Description in Exhibit A and Exhibit B and in the documents thereby incorporated by reference.

"Operations and Maintenance Costs" means the reasonable and necessary costs paid or incurred by the Recipient for maintaining and operating the System, determined in accordance with GAAP, including all reasonable expenses of management and repair and all other expenses necessary to maintain and preserve the System in good repair and working order, and including all reasonable and necessary administrative costs of the Recipient that are charged directly or apportioned to the operation of the System, such as salaries and wages of employees, overhead, taxes (if any), the cost of permits, licenses,

"Senior Obligation" means a debt obligation of the Recipient that is senior to this Obligation. There are no Senior Obligations.

"SRF" means the Clean Water State Revolving Fund.

"State" means State of California.

"State Water Board" means the State Water Resources Control Board.

"Subordinate Obligation" means a debt obligation of the Recipient that is subordinate to this Obligation. There are no Subordinate Obligations.

"System" means all wastewater collection, pumping, transport, treatment, storage, and disposal facilities, including land and easements thereof, owned by the Recipient, including the Project, and all other properties, structures, or works hereafter acquired and constructed by the Recipient and determined to be a part of the System, together with all additions, betterments, extensions, or improvements to such facilities, properties, structures, or works, or any part thereof hereafter acquired and constructed.

"System Obligation" means any obligation of the Recipient payable from the Revenues, including but not limited to this Obligation, any Parity Obligation, any Subordinate Obligation, and such additional obligations as may hereafter be issued in accordance with the provisions of such obligations and this Agreement.

"Useful Life" means the economically useful life of the Project beginning at Completion of Construction and is set forth in Exhibit A.

"Year" means calendar year unless otherwise expressly indicated.

EXHIBIT A – SCOPE OF WORK

A.1. PROJECT DESCRIPTION, USEFUL LIFE, AND SCOPE OF WORK.

- (a) The Project is the project set forth on the Cover Page of this Agreement.
- (b) The Useful Life of this Project is at least fifty (50) years.
- (c) Scope of Work.

The project will eliminate possible spills of raw or untreated wastewater into the Silverwood Lake watershed. Silverwood Lake is a critical drinking water source and must be protected from possible contamination resulting from sewage spills. The current 70-year-old clarifiers are structurally unsound, past their useful life and needing rehabilitation. The new clarifier will act as the primary wastewater clarifier, the other two will provide redundancy after they are structurally evaluated and rehabilitated. A new sludge dewatering building will house new sludge drying equipment. A new backup electrical power Generator is needed to power critical equipment throughout the wastewater facilities. Lastly the District will replace the trickling filter recirculation pumps, the pumps have reached the end of their useful life.

The Recipient agrees to do the following:

Provide all planning, design, procurement and construction necessary to provide critical facility upgrades by replacing aging equipment and infrastructure. The major components of the project include:

- New Primary Clarifier
- New Sludge Dewatering Building
 - Equipment in building includes two thickened sludge pumps, polymer storage and dosing system, two dewatering screw presses with motors, dewatered cake conveyor system, two filtrate pumps.
- New Backup Electrical Power Generator
- Replacement of existing Trickling Filter Recirculation Pumps.

A.2. STANDARD PROJECT REQUIREMENTS.

A.2.1 Acknowledgements.

The Recipient shall include the following acknowledgement in any document, written report, or brochure prepared in whole or in part pursuant to this Agreement:

“Funding for this project has been provided in full or in part through an agreement with the State Water Resources Control Board.

California’s Clean Water State Revolving Fund is capitalized through a variety of funding sources, including grants from the United States Environmental Protection Agency and state bond proceeds.

The contents of this document do not necessarily reflect the views and policies of the foregoing, nor does mention of trade names or commercial products constitute endorsement or recommendation for use.”

A.2.2 Reports

A.2.2.1 Progress Reports.

The Recipient must report Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) utilization to the Division on the DBE Utilization Report, State Water Board Form DBE UR334. The Recipient must submit such reports to the Division annually within ten (10) calendar days following October 1 until such time as the "Notice of Completion" is issued. The Recipient must comply with 40 CFR § 33.301 and require its contractors and subcontractors on the Project to comply.

A.2.3 Signage.

The Recipient shall place a sign at least four feet tall by eight feet wide made of ¾ inch thick exterior grade plywood or other approved material in a prominent location on the Project site and shall maintain the sign in good condition for the duration of the construction period. The sign must include the following disclosure statement and color logos (available from the Division):



- a.
- b. "Funding for this Huston Wastewater Treatment Plant Dewatering Building and Primary Clarifier Project has been provided in full or in part by the Clean Water State Revolving Fund through an agreement with the State Water Resources Control Board. California's Clean Water State Revolving Fund is capitalized through a variety of funding sources, including grants from the United States Environmental Protection Agency and state bond proceeds."
- c. The Project sign may include another agency's required promotional information so long as the above logos and disclosure statement are equally prominent on the sign. The sign shall be prepared in a professional manner.

A.2.4 Commencement of Operations.

Upon Completion of Construction of the Project, the Recipient must expeditiously initiate Project operations.

A.3 DATES & DELIVERABLES.

- (a) Time is of the essence.
- (b) The Recipient must expeditiously proceed with and complete construction of the Project.
- (c) The following dates are established as on the Cover Page of this Agreement:
 - i. Eligible Work Start Date
 - ii. Eligible Construction Start Date
 - iii. Completion of Construction Date
 - iv. Final Disbursement Request Date
 - v. Records Retention End Date
 - vi. Final Payment Date
- (d) The Recipient must award the prime construction contract timely.
- (e) The Recipient agrees to start construction no later than January 15, 2022.
- (f) The Recipient must deliver any request for extension of the Completion of Construction date no less than 90 days prior to the Completion of Construction date.

EXHIBIT B – FUNDING TERMS

B.1. FUNDING AMOUNTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

B.1.1 Funding Contingency and Other Sources.

(a) If this Agreement’s funding for any fiscal year expires due to reversion or is reduced, substantially delayed, or deleted by the Budget Act, by Executive Order, or by order or action of the Department of Finance, the State Water Board has the option to either cancel this Agreement with no liability accruing to the State Water Board or offer an amendment to the Recipient to reflect the reduced amount.

(b) If funding for Project Costs is made available to the Recipient from sources other than this Agreement, the Recipient must notify the Division. The Recipient may retain such funding up to an amount which equals the Recipient’s share of Project Costs. To the extent allowed by requirements of other funding sources, excess funding must be remitted to the State Water Board to be applied to Payments due hereunder, if any.

B.1.2 Estimated Reasonable Cost.

The estimated reasonable cost of the total Project, including associated planning and design costs, is ten million three hundred ten thousand dollars and no cents (\$10,310,000.00).

B.1.3 Project Funding Amount.

Subject to the terms of this Agreement, the State Water Board agrees to provide Project Funds not to exceed the amount of the Project Funding Amount set forth on the Cover Page of this Agreement.

B.1.4 [Reserved.]

B. 1.5 Budget Costs.

(a) Estimated budget costs are contained in the Summary Project Cost Table below:

LINE ITEM	TOTAL ESTIMATED COST	PROJECT FUNDING AMOUNT
Construction	\$6,900,000.00	\$6,900,000.00
Pre-Purchased Material/Equipment	\$0.00	\$0.00
Purchase of Land	\$0.00	\$0.00
Contingency	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,200,000.00
Allowances (Soft Costs)	\$2,210,000.00	\$900,000.00
TOTAL	\$10,310,000.00	\$9,000,000.00

The Division’s Final Budget Approval and related Form 259 and Form 260 and Form 261 will document a more detailed budget of eligible Project Costs and Project funding amounts.

Upon written request by the Recipient, the Division may adjust the line items of the Summary Project Cost Table at the time of Division’s Final Budget Approval. Upon written request by the Recipient, the Division may also adjust the line items of the Summary Project Cost Table as well as the detailed budget at the time of Recipient’s submittal of its final claim. Any line item adjustments to the Summary Project Cost Table that are due to a change in scope of work will require an Agreement amendment. The sum of adjusted line items in both the Summary Project Cost Table and the detailed budget must not exceed the Project Funding Amount. The Division may also propose budget adjustments.

3. The Recipient may request disbursement of eligible construction and equipment costs consistent with budget amounts approved by the Division in the Final Budget Approval.
4. Additional Project Funds will be promptly disbursed to the Recipient upon receipt of Disbursement Request Form 260 and Form 261, or any amendment thereto, duly completed and executed by the Recipient for incurred costs consistent with this Agreement, along with receipt of progress reports due under Exhibit A.
5. The Recipient must not request disbursement for any Project Cost until such cost has been incurred and is currently due and payable by the Recipient, although the actual payment of such cost by the Recipient is not required as a condition of disbursement request. Supporting documentation (e.g., receipts) must be submitted with each Disbursement Request. The amount requested for administration costs must include a calculation formula (i.e., hours or days worked times the hourly or daily rate = total amount claimed). Disbursement of Project Funds will be made only after receipt of a complete, adequately supported, properly documented, and accurately addressed Disbursement Request. Disbursement Requests submitted without supporting documents may be wholly or partially withheld at the discretion of the Division.
6. The Recipient must spend Project Funds within 30 days of receipt. If the Recipient earns interest earned on Project Funds, it must report that interest immediately to the State Water Board. The State Water Board may deduct earned interest from future disbursements.
7. The Recipient shall not request a disbursement unless that Project Cost is allowable, reasonable, and allocable.
8. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, no disbursement shall be required at any time or in any manner which is in violation of or in conflict with federal or state laws, policies, or regulations.
9. No work or travel outside the State of California is permitted under this Agreement unless the Division provides prior written authorization. Failure to comply with this restriction may result in termination this Agreement, pursuant to Exhibit C. Any reimbursement for necessary travel and per diem shall be at rates not to exceed those set by the California Department of Human Resources at <http://www.calhr.ca.gov/employees/Pages/travel-reimbursements.aspx>. as of the date costs are incurred by the Recipient.

B.1.8 Withholding of Disbursements.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the State Water Board may withhold all or any portion of the Project Funds upon the occurrence of any of the following events:

- (a) The Recipient's failure to maintain reasonable progress on the Project as determined by the Division;
- (b) Placement on the ballot or passage of an initiative or referendum to repeal or reduce the Recipient's taxes, assessments, fees, or charges levied for operation of the System or payment of debt service on System Obligations;
- (c) Commencement of litigation or a judicial or administrative proceeding related to the Project, System, or Revenues that the State Water Board determines may impair the timely satisfaction of Recipient's obligations under this Agreement;
- (d) Any investigation by the District Attorney, California State Auditor, Bureau of State Audits, United States Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Inspector General, the Internal Revenue Service, Securities and Exchange Commission, a grand jury, or any other state or

(c) In lieu of, and not to exceed, interest otherwise due under this Agreement, the Recipient agrees to pay the following charge(s), as further set forth in Exhibit E:

- an Administrative Service Charge
- a Small Community Grant Fund Charge

B.2.4 [Reserved.]

B.2.5 Obligation Absolute.

The obligation of the Recipient to make the Payments and other payments required to be made by it under this Agreement, from the Net Revenues and/or other amounts legally available to the Recipient therefor, is absolute and unconditional, and until such time as the Payments and Additional Payments have been paid in full, the Recipient must not discontinue or suspend any Payments or other payments required to be made by it hereunder when due, whether or not the Project, or any related part thereof is operating or operable or has been completed, or its use is suspended, interfered with, reduced or curtailed or terminated in whole or in part, and such Payments and other payments shall not be subject to reduction whether by offset or otherwise and shall not be conditional upon the performance or nonperformance by any party of any agreement for any cause whatsoever.

B.2.6 Payment Timing.

(a) Beginning one year after Completion of Construction, the Recipient must submit an annual Payment of the principal of the Project Funds, together with all interest accruing thereon. The Recipient must make Payments fully amortizing the total principal of the Project by the Final Payment Date. Payments are based on a standard fully amortized assistance amount with equal annual payments.

(b) The remaining balance is the previous balance, plus the disbursements, plus the accrued interest on both, plus any Charge In Lieu of Interest, less the Payment. Payment calculations will be made beginning one (1) year after Completion of Construction. Exhibit E is a payment schedule based on the provisions of this Exhibit and an estimated disbursement schedule. Actual payments will be based on actual disbursements.

(c) Upon Completion of Construction and submission of necessary reports by the Recipient, the Division will prepare an appropriate payment schedule and supply the same to the Recipient. The Division may amend this schedule as necessary to accurately reflect amounts due under this Agreement. The Division will prepare any necessary amendments to the payment schedule and send them to the Recipient. The Recipient must make each Payment on or before the due date therefor. A ten (10) day grace period will be allowed, after which time a penalty in the amount of costs incurred by the State Water Board will be assessed for late payment. These costs may include, but are not limited to, lost interest earnings, staff time, bond debt service default penalties, if any, and other related costs. For purposes of penalty assessment, payment will be deemed to have been made if payment is deposited in the U.S. Mail within the grace period with postage prepaid and properly addressed. Any penalties assessed will not be added to the assistance amount balance, but will be treated as a separate account and obligation of the Recipient. The interest penalty will be assessed from the payment due date.

(d) The Recipient is obligated to make all payments required by this Agreement to the State Water Board, notwithstanding any individual default by its constituents or others in the payment to the Recipient of fees, charges, taxes, assessments, tolls or other charges ("Charges") levied or imposed by the Recipient. The Recipient must provide for the punctual payment to the State Water Board of all amounts which become due under this Agreement and which are received from constituents or others in the payment to the Recipient. In the event of failure, neglect or refusal of any officer of the Recipient to levy or cause to be levied any Charge to provide payment by the Recipient under this Agreement, to enforce or to collect such Charge, or to pay over to the State Water Board any money collected on account of such Charge

B.3 RATES, FEES AND CHARGES.

(a) The Recipient must, to the extent permitted by law, fix, prescribe and collect rates, fees and charges for the System during each Fiscal Year which are reasonable, fair, and nondiscriminatory and which will be sufficient to generate Revenues in the amounts necessary to cover Operations and Maintenance Costs, and must ensure that Net Revenues are equal to the sum of (i) at least 120% of the Maximum Annual Debt Service with respect to all outstanding System Obligations senior to and on parity with the Obligation and (ii) at least 100% of the Maximum Annual Debt Service with respect to all outstanding System Obligations subordinate to the Obligation, so long as System Obligations other than this Obligation are outstanding. Upon defeasance of all System Obligations other than this Obligation, this ratio must be at least 120%, except where System Obligations are defeased pursuant to refunding obligations.

(b) The Recipient may make adjustments from time to time in such fees and charges and may make such classification thereof as it deems necessary, but shall not reduce the rates, fees and charges then in effect unless the Net Revenues from such reduced rates, fees, and charges will at all times be sufficient to meet the requirements of this section.

(c) Upon consideration of a voter initiative to reduce Revenues, the Recipient must make a finding regarding the effect of such a reduction on the Recipient's ability to satisfy the rate covenant set forth in this Section. The Recipient must make its findings available to the public. The Recipient's Authorized Representative must request, if necessary, the authorization of the Recipient's decision-maker or decision-making body to file litigation to challenge any such initiative that it finds will render it unable to satisfy the rate covenant set forth in this Agreement and its obligation to operate and maintain the Project for its Useful Life. The Recipient must diligently pursue and bear any and all costs related to such challenge. The Recipient must notify and regularly update the State Water Board regarding the status of any such challenge.

B.4 ADDITIONAL DEBT.

(a) The Recipient's future debt that is secured by Revenues pledged herein may not be senior to this Obligation.

(b) The Recipient may issue additional parity or subordinate debt only if all of the following conditions are met:

- i. Net Revenues in the most recent Fiscal Year, excluding transfers from a rate stabilization fund, if any, meet the ratio for rate covenants set forth in this Exhibit with respect to any outstanding and proposed additional obligations;
- ii. The Recipient is in compliance with any reserve fund requirement of this Obligation.

B.5 NO LIENS.

The Recipient must not make any pledge of or place any lien on the Project, System, or Revenues except as otherwise provided or permitted by this Agreement.

C.1.6 Solvency and Insurance.

None of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement will be or have been made with an actual intent to hinder, delay, or defraud any present or future creditors of Recipient. The Recipient is solvent and will not be rendered insolvent by the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. The Recipient is able to pay its debts as they become due. The Recipient maintains sufficient insurance coverage considering the scope of this Agreement, including, for example but not necessarily limited to, general liability, automobile liability, workers compensation and employer liability, professional liability.

C.1.7 Legal Status and Eligibility.

The Recipient is duly organized and existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of California. Recipient must at all times maintain its current legal existence and preserve and keep in full force and effect its legal rights and authority. The Recipient acknowledges that changes to its legal or financial status may affect its eligibility for funding under this Agreement and commits to maintaining its eligibility. Within the preceding ten years, the Recipient has not failed to demonstrate compliance with state or federal audit disallowances.

C.1.8 Financial Statements and Continuing Disclosure.

The financial statements of Recipient previously delivered to the State Water Board as of the date(s) set forth in such financial statements: (a) are materially complete and correct; (b) present fairly the financial condition of the Recipient; and (c) have been prepared in accordance with GAAP. Since the date(s) of such financial statements, there has been no material adverse change in the financial condition of the Recipient, nor have any assets or properties reflected on such financial statements been sold, transferred, assigned, mortgaged, pledged or encumbered, except as previously disclosed in writing by Recipient and approved in writing by the State Water Board.

The Recipient is current in its continuing disclosure obligations associated with its material debt, if any.

C.1.9 System Obligations

The Recipient has no System Obligations other than those defined in this Agreement.

C.1.10 Material Obligations.

The Recipient has no Material Obligations other than System Obligations.

C.1.11 Compliance with State Water Board Funding Agreements.

The Recipient represents that it is in compliance with all State Water Board funding agreements to which it is a party.

C.2 DEFAULTS AND REMEDIES

In addition to any other remedy set forth in this Agreement, the following remedies are available under this Agreement.

C.2.1 Return of Funds; Acceleration; and Additional Payments.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, if the Division determines that an Event of Default has occurred, the Recipient may be required, upon demand, immediately to do each of the following:

C.2.7 Remedies and Limitations.

None of the remedies available to the State Water Board shall be exclusive of any other remedy, and each such remedy shall be cumulative and in addition to every other remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity. The State Water Board may exercise any remedy, now or hereafter existing, without exhausting and without regard to any other remedy.

Any claim of the Recipient is limited to the rights and remedies provided to the Recipient under this Agreement and is subject to the claims procedures provided to the Recipient under this Agreement.

C.2.8 Non-Waiver.

Nothing in this Agreement shall affect or impair the Recipient's Obligation to pay Payments as provided herein or shall affect or impair the right of the State Water Board to bring suit to enforce such payment. No delay or omission of the State Water Board in the exercise of any right arising upon an Event of Default shall impair any such right or be construed to be a waiver of any such Event of Default. The State Water Board may exercise from time to time and as often as shall be deemed expedient by the State Water Board, any remedy or right provided by law or pursuant to this Agreement.

C.2.9 Status Quo.

If any action to enforce any right or exercise any remedy shall be brought and either discontinued or determined adversely to the State Water Board, then the State Water Board shall be restored to its former position, rights and remedies as if no such action had been brought.

C.3 STANDARD CONDITIONS

C.3.1 Access, Inspection, and Public Records.

The Recipient must ensure that the State Water Board, the Governor of the State, the United States Environmental Protection Agency, the Office of Inspector General, any member of Congress, or any authorized representative of the foregoing, will have safe and suitable access to the Project site at all reasonable times during Project construction and thereafter for the term of the Agreement. The Recipient acknowledges that, except for a subset of information regarding archaeological records, the Project records and locations are public records, including but not limited to all of the submissions accompanying the application, all of the documents incorporated into this Agreement by reference, and all reports, disbursement requests, and supporting documentation submitted hereunder.

C.3.2 Accounting and Auditing Standards; Financial Management Systems; Records Retention.

(a) The Recipient must maintain project accounts according to GAAP as issued by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) or its successor. The Recipient must maintain GAAP-compliant project accounts, including GAAP requirements relating to the reporting of infrastructure assets.

(b) The Recipient must comply with federal standards for financial management systems. The Recipient agrees that, at a minimum, its fiscal control and accounting procedures will be sufficient to permit preparation of reports required by the federal government and tracking of Project funds to a level of expenditure adequate to establish that such funds have not been used in violation of federal or state law or the terms of this Agreement. To the extent applicable, the Recipient is bound by, and must comply with, the provisions and requirements of the federal Single Audit Act of 1984 and 2 CFR Part 200, subpart F, and updates or revisions, thereto.

certified public accountant independent of the Recipient and at the cost of the Recipient. The audit must be in the form required by the Division.

(b) Audit disallowances must be returned to the State Water Board.

C.3.6 Bonding.

Where contractors are used, the Recipient must not authorize construction to begin until each contractor has furnished a performance bond in favor of the Recipient in the following amounts: faithful performance (100%) of contract value; labor and materials (100%) of contract value. This requirement shall not apply to any contract for less than \$25,000.00.

C.3.7 Competitive Bidding

Recipient must adhere to any applicable state law or local ordinance for competitive bidding and applicable labor laws.

C.3.8 Compliance with Applicable Laws, Rules, and Requirements.

The Recipient must, at all times, comply with and require its contractors and subcontractors to comply with all applicable federal and state laws, rules, guidelines, regulations, and requirements. Without limitation of the foregoing, to the extent applicable, the Recipient must:

(a) Comply with the provisions of the adopted environmental mitigation plan, if any, for the term of this Agreement;

(b) Comply with the Policy; and

(c) Comply with and require compliance with the state and federal requirements set forth elsewhere in this Agreement.

C.3.9 Computer Software.

The Recipient certifies that it has appropriate systems and controls in place to ensure that state funds will not be used in the performance of this Agreement for the acquisition, operation or maintenance of computer software in violation of copyright laws.

C.3.10 Conflict of Interest.

The Recipient certifies that its owners, officers, directors, agents, representatives, and employees are in compliance with applicable state and federal conflict of interest laws.

C.3.11 Continuous Use of Project; No Lease, Sale, Transfer of Ownership, or Disposal of Project.

The Recipient agrees that, except as provided in this Agreement, it will not abandon, substantially discontinue use of, lease, sell, transfer ownership of, or dispose of all or a significant part or portion of the Project during the Useful Life of the Project without prior written approval of the Division. Such approval may be conditioned as determined to be appropriate by the Division, including a condition requiring repayment of all disbursed Project Funds or all or any portion of all remaining funds covered by this Agreement together with accrued interest and any penalty assessments that may be due.

C.3.12 Data Management.

C.3.18 Indemnification and State Reviews.

The parties agree that review or approval of Project plans and specifications by the State Water Board is for administrative purposes only, including conformity with application and eligibility criteria, and expressly not for the purposes of design defect review or construction feasibility, and does not relieve the Recipient of its responsibility to properly plan, design, construct, operate, and maintain the Project. To the extent permitted by law, the Recipient agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the State Water Board, the Bank, and any trustee, and their officers, employees, and agents for the Bonds, if any (collectively, "Indemnified Persons"), against any loss or liability arising out of any claim or action brought against any Indemnified Persons from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities, or expenses, of every conceivable kind, character, and nature whatsoever arising out of, resulting from, or in any way connected with (1) the System or the Project or the conditions, occupancy, use, possession, conduct, or management of, work done in or about, or the planning, design, acquisition, installation, or construction, of the System or the Project or any part thereof; (2) the carrying out of any of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or any related document; (3) any violation of any applicable law, rule or regulation, any environmental law (including, without limitation, the Federal Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, the California Hazardous Substance Account Act, the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, the Clean Air Act, the Toxic Substances Control Act, the Occupational Safety and Health Act, the Safe Drinking Water Act, the California Hazardous Waste Control Law, and California Water Code Section 13304, and any successors to said laws), rule or regulation or the release of any toxic substance on or near the System or the Project; or (4) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of any material fact or omission or alleged omission to state a material fact necessary to make the statements required to be stated therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading with respect to any information provided by the Recipient for use in any disclosure document utilized in connection with any of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, except those arising from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Indemnified Persons. The Recipient must also provide for the defense and indemnification of the Indemnified Persons in any contractual provision extending indemnity to the Recipient in any contract let for the performance of any work under this Agreement and must cause the Indemnified Persons to be included within the scope of any provision for the indemnification and defense of the Recipient in any contract or subcontract. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Recipient agrees to pay and discharge any judgment or award entered or made against Indemnified Persons with respect to any such claim or action, and any settlement, compromise, or other voluntary resolution. The provisions of this section survive the term of this Agreement.

C.3.19 Independent Actor.

The Recipient, and its agents and employees, if any, in the performance of this Agreement, shall act in an independent capacity and not as officers, employees, or agents of the State Water Board.

C.3.20 Integration.

This Agreement constitutes the complete and final agreement between the parties. No oral or written understanding or agreement not incorporated in this Agreement shall be binding on either party.

C.3.21 Leveraging Covenants.

- (a) Notwithstanding any other provision hereof, the Recipient covenants and agrees that it will comply with the Tax Covenants set forth in Exhibit F of this Agreement.
- (b) The Recipient covenants to furnish such financial, operating and other data pertaining to the Recipient as may be requested by the State Water Board to: (i) enable the State Water Board to cause the issuance of Bonds and provide for security therefor; or (ii) enable any underwriter of Bonds issued for the benefit of the State Water Board to comply with Rule 15c2-12(b)(5). The Recipient further covenants

C.3.23 No Third Party Rights.

The parties to this Agreement do not create rights in, or grant remedies to, any third party as a beneficiary of this Agreement, or of any duty, covenant, obligation, or undertaking established herein.

C.3.24 No Obligation of the State.

Any obligation of the State Water Board herein contained shall not be an obligation, debt, or liability of the State and any such obligation shall be payable solely out of the moneys encumbered pursuant to this Agreement.

C.3.25 Notice.

Upon the occurrence of any of the following events, the Recipient must provide notice as set forth below.

- (a) Within 24 hours of the following, the Recipient must notify the Division by phone at (916) 327-9978 and by email to crysten.cole@waterboards.ca.gov and robert.pontureri@waterboards.ca.gov and CleanWaterSRF@waterboards.ca.gov:
 - i. The seizure of, or levy on, any Revenues securing this Agreement;
 - ii. Any discovery of any potential tribal cultural resource and/or archaeological or historical resource. Should a potential tribal cultural resource and/or archaeological or historical resource be discovered during construction or Project implementation, the Recipient must ensure that all work in the area of the find will cease until a qualified archaeologist has evaluated the situation and made recommendations regarding preservation of the resource, and the Division has determined what actions should be taken to protect and preserve the resource. The Recipient must implement appropriate actions as directed by the Division.

- (b) Within five (5) business days, the Recipient must notify the Division by phone at (916) 327-9978; by email to Lance.Reese@waterboards.ca.gov crysten.cole@waterboards.ca.gov and robert.pontureri@waterboards.ca.gov and CleanWaterSRF@waterboards.ca.gov; and by mail to the contact address set forth in Section 4 of this Agreement of the occurrence of any of the following events:
 - i. Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the Recipient, or actions taken in anticipation of any of the foregoing;
 - ii. Change of ownership of the Project or the System or change of management or service contracts, if any, for operation of the System;
 - iii. Loss, theft, damage, or impairment to Project, the Revenues or the System;
 - iv. Failure to meet any debt service coverage test in Exhibit B of this Agreement;
 - v. Draws on the Reserve Fund;
 - vi. Listed Events and Events of Default, except as otherwise set forth in this section;
 - vii. Failure to observe or perform any covenant or comply with any condition in this Agreement;
 - viii. An offer from a public entity to purchase the Project or the System or any portion thereof, or any of the real or personal property related to or necessary for the Project;
 - ix. A proceeding or action by a public entity to acquire the Project or the System by power of eminent domain;
 - x. Incurrence of a System Obligation or other Material Obligation by the Recipient; or
 - xi. A default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar event under the terms of a System Obligation or other Material Obligation of the Recipient, any of which reflect financial difficulties.

- agrees to promptly notify the Division. This notification is in addition to the Recipient's obligations under the federal Endangered Species Act;
- vi. Any Project monitoring, demonstration, or other implementation activities required in Exhibit A or Exhibit D of this Agreement, if any;
 - vii. Any public or media event publicizing the accomplishments and/or results of this Agreement and provide the opportunity for attendance and participation by state representatives with at least ten (10) working days' notice to the Division;
 - viii. Any allegation of research misconduct involving research activities that are supported in whole or in part with EPA funds under this Project, as required by Exhibit C.4.3(xxvii);
 - ix. Any events requiring notice to the Division pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement;
 - x. Completion of Construction of the Project, and actual Project Completion;
 - xi. The award of the prime construction contract for the Project;
 - xii. Initiation of construction of the Project.

C.3.26 Operation and Maintenance; Insurance.

The Recipient agrees to sufficiently and properly staff, operate and maintain all portions of the System during the Useful Life of the Project in accordance with all applicable state and federal laws, rules, and regulations.

The Recipient will procure and maintain or cause to be maintained insurance on the System with responsible insurers, or as part of a reasonable system of self-insurance, in such amounts and against such risks (including damage to or destruction of the System) as are usually covered in connection with systems similar to the System. Such insurance may be maintained by a self-insurance plan so long as such plan provides for (i) the establishment by the Recipient of a separate segregated self-insurance fund in an amount determined (initially and on at least an annual basis) by an independent insurance consultant experienced in the field of risk management employing accepted actuarial techniques and (ii) the establishment and maintenance of a claims processing and risk management program.

In the event of any damage to or destruction of the System caused by the perils covered by such insurance, the net proceeds thereof shall be applied to the reconstruction, repair or replacement of the damaged or destroyed portion of the System. The Recipient must begin such reconstruction, repair or replacement as expeditiously as possible, and must pay out of such net proceeds all costs and expenses in connection with such reconstruction, repair or replacement so that the same must be completed and the System must be free and clear of all claims and liens. If such net proceeds are insufficient to reconstruct, repair, or restore the System to the extent necessary to enable the Recipient to pay all remaining unpaid principal portions of the Payments, if any, in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, the Recipient must provide additional funds to restore or replace the damaged portions of the System.

Recipient agrees that for any policy of insurance concerning or covering the construction of the Project, it will cause, and will require its contractors and subcontractors to cause, a certificate of insurance to be issued showing the State Water Board, its officers, agents, employees, and servants as additional insured; and must provide the Division with a copy of all such certificates prior to the commencement of construction of the Project.

C.3.27 Permits, Subcontracting, and Remedies.

Recipient must procure all permits, licenses and other authorizations necessary to accomplish the work contemplated in this Agreement, pay all charges and fees, and give all notices necessary and incidental to the due and lawful prosecution of the work. Signed copies of any such permits or licenses must be submitted to the Division before any construction begins.

notwithstanding any conflicting language in this Agreement, the Recipient agrees to repay all of the disbursed funds plus interest in the event that Recipient does not complete the project.

C.3.33 Rights in Data.

The Recipient agrees that all data, plans, drawings, specifications, reports, computer programs, operating manuals, notes, and other written or graphic work produced in the performance of this Agreement are subject to the rights of the State as set forth in this section. The State shall have the right to reproduce, publish, and use all such work, or any part thereof, in any manner and for any purposes whatsoever and to authorize others to do so. If any such work is copyrightable, the Recipient may copyright the same, except that, as to any work which is copyrighted by the Recipient, the State reserves a royalty-free, nonexclusive, and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish, and use such work, or any part thereof, and to authorize others to do so, and to receive electronic copies from the Recipient upon request.

C.3.34 State Water Board Action; Costs and Attorney Fees.

Any remedy provided in this Agreement is in addition to and not in derogation of any other legal or equitable remedy available to the State Water Board as a result of breach of this Agreement by the Recipient, whether such breach occurs before or after completion of the Project, and exercise of any remedy provided by this Agreement by the State Water Board shall not preclude the State Water Board from pursuing any legal remedy or right which would otherwise be available. In the event of litigation between the parties hereto arising from this Agreement, it is agreed that each party shall bear its own costs and attorney fees.

C.3.35 Timeliness.

Time is of the essence in this Agreement.

C.3.36 Unenforceable Provision.

In the event that any provision of this Agreement is unenforceable or held to be unenforceable, then the parties agree that all other provisions of this Agreement have force and effect and shall not be affected thereby.

C.3.37 Venue.

Any action arising out of this Agreement shall be filed and maintained in the Superior Court in and for the County of Sacramento, California.

C.3.38 Waiver and Rights of the State Water Board.

Any waiver of rights by the State Water Board with respect to a default or other matter arising under this Agreement at any time shall not be considered a waiver of rights with respect to any other default or matter. Any rights and remedies of the State Water Board provided for in this Agreement are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law.

C.4 MISCELLANEOUS STATE AND FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS

C.4.1 [Reserved.]

C.4.2 State Cross-Cutters.

Recipient represents that, as applicable, it complies and covenants to maintain compliance with the following for the term of the Agreement:

- iii. The Recipient must comply with the signage requirements set forth in Exhibit A.
- iv. The Recipient shall notify the State Water Board and the USEPA contact of public or media events publicizing the accomplishment of significant events related to this Project and provide the opportunity for attendance and participation by federal representatives with at least ten (10) working days' notice.
- v. The Recipient shall comply with applicable EPA general terms and conditions found at <http://www.epa.gov/ogd>.
- vi. No Recipient may receive funding under this Agreement unless it has provided its DUNS number to the State Water Board.
- vii. [Reserved.]
- viii. The Recipient represents and warrants that it and its principals are not excluded or disqualified from participating in this transaction as such terms are defined in Parts 180 and 1532 of Title 2 of the Code of Federal Regulations (2 CFR). If the Recipient is excluded after execution of this Agreement, the Recipient shall notify the Division within ten (10) days and shall inform the Division of the Recipient's exclusion in any request for amendment of this Agreement. The Recipient shall comply with Subpart C of Part 180 of 2 CFR, as supplemented by Subpart C of Part 1532 of 2 CFR. Such compliance is a condition precedent to the State Water Board's performance of its obligations under this Agreement. When entering into a covered transaction as defined in Parts 180 and 1532 of 2 CFR, the Recipient shall require the other party to the covered transaction to comply with Subpart C of Part 180 of 2 CFR, as supplemented by Subpart C of Part 1532 of 2 CFR.
- ix. To the extent applicable, the Recipient shall disclose to the State Water Board any potential conflict of interest consistent with USEPA's Final Financial Assistance Conflict of Interest Policy at <https://www.epa.gov/grants/epas-final-financial-assistance-conflict-interest-policy>. A conflict of interest may result in disallowance of costs.
- x. USEPA and the State Water Board have the right to reproduce, publish, use and authorize others to reproduce, publish and use copyrighted works or other data developed under this assistance agreement.
- xi. Where an invention is made with Project Funds, USEPA and the State Water Board retain the right to a worldwide, nonexclusive, nontransferable, irrevocable, paid-up license to practice the invention owned by the Recipient. The Recipient must utilize the Interagency Edison extramural invention reporting system at <http://iEdison.gov> and shall notify the Division when an invention report, patent report, or utilization report is filed.
- xii. The Recipient agrees that any reports, documents, publications or other materials developed for public distribution supported by this Agreement shall contain the Disclosure statement set forth in Exhibit A.
- xiii. The Recipient acknowledges that it is encouraged to follow guidelines established under Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act, codified at 36 CFR Part 1194, with respect to enabling individuals with disabilities to participate in its programs supported by this Project.
- xiv. The Recipient, its employees, contractors and subcontractors and their employees warrants that it will not engage in severe forms of trafficking in persons, procure a commercial sex act during the term of this Agreement, or use forced labor in the performance of this Agreement. The Recipient must include this provision in its contracts and subcontracts under this Agreement. The

- xix. Executive Order No. 11246. The Recipient shall include in its contracts and subcontracts related to the Project the following provisions:

"During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:"(a) The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, or national origin. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, creed, color, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the contracting officer setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

"(b) The contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, creed, color, or national origin.

"(c) The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under Section 202 of Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

"(d) The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order No. 11246 of Sept. 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.

"(e) The contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by the rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the contracting agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.

"(f) In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of such rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be cancelled, terminated or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order No. 11246 of Sept 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.

"(g) The contractor will include the provisions of Paragraphs (1) through (7) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to Section 204 of Executive Order No. 11246 of Sept. 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the contracting agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance: Provided, however, That in the event the contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the contracting agency, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States."

disseminated in a timely and transparent manner, including scientific research performed by contractors and subcontractors.

- xxix. The Recipient agrees to comply with the Animal Welfare Act of 1966 (7 USC 2131-2156). Recipient also agrees to abide by the "U.S. Government Principles for the Utilization and Care of Vertebrate Animals used in Testing, Research, and Training," available at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/olaw/references/phspol.htm#USGovPrinciples>.
- xxx. The Recipient certifies that no Project Funds will be used on:
- a. Video surveillance or telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities), telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities);
 - b. Telecommunications or video surveillance services produced by such entities;
 - c. Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country; or
 - d. Other telecommunications or video surveillance services or equipment in violation of [2 CFR 200.216](#).

EXHIBIT E – PAYMENT SCHEDULE

See the attached preliminary Payment Schedule. The final Payment Schedule will be forwarded to the Recipient after all disbursements have been paid and construction of the Project has been completed.

EXHIBIT F – TAX CERTIFICATE

F.1 Purpose.

The purpose of this Exhibit F is to establish the reasonable expectations of the Recipient regarding the Project and the Project Funds, and is intended to be and may be relied upon for purposes of Sections 103, 141 and 148 of the Code and as a certification described in Section 1.148-2(b)(2) of the Treasury Regulations. This Exhibit F sets forth certain facts, estimates and circumstances which form the basis for the Recipient's expectation that neither the Project nor the Bond Funded Portion of the Project Funds is to be used in a manner that would cause the Obligation to be classified as "arbitrage bonds" under Section 148 of the Code or "private activity bonds" under Section 141 of the Code.

F.2 Tax Covenant.

The Recipient agrees that it will not take or authorize any action or permit any action within its reasonable control to be taken, or fail to take any action within its reasonable control, with respect to the Project which would result in the loss of the exclusion of interest on the Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes under Section 103 of the Code.

F.3 Governmental Unit.

The Recipient is a state or local governmental unit as defined in Section 1.103-1 of the Treasury Regulations or an instrumentality thereof (a "Governmental Unit") and is not the federal government or any agency or instrumentality thereof.

F.4 Financing of a Capital Project.

The Recipient will use the Project Funds to finance costs it has incurred or will incur for the construction, reconstruction, installation or acquisition of the Project. Such costs shall not have previously been financed with the proceeds of any other issue of tax-exempt obligations.

F.5 Ownership and Operation of Project.

The Recipient exclusively owns and, except as provided in Section F.12 hereof, operates the Project.

F.6 Temporary Period.

The Recipient reasonably expects that at least eighty-five percent (85%) of the Bond Funded Portion of the Project Funds will be allocated to expenditures for the Project within three (3) years of the earlier of the effective date of this Agreement or the date the Bonds are issued ("Applicable Date"). The Recipient has incurred, or reasonably expects that it will incur within six (6) months of the Applicable Date, a substantial binding obligation (i.e., not subject to contingencies within the control of the Recipient or a related party) to a third party to expend at least five percent (5%) of the Bond Funded Portion of the Project Funds on Project Costs. The completion of acquisition, construction, improvement and equipping of the Project and the allocation of the Bond Funded Portion of the Project Funds to Project Costs will proceed with due diligence.

F.7 Working Capital.

No operational expenditures of the Recipient or any related entity are being, have been or will be financed or refinanced with Project Funds.

F.8 Expenditure of Proceeds.

The Bond Funded Portion of the Project Funds shall be used exclusively for the following purposes: (i) Reimbursement Expenditures (as defined in Section F.20 below), (ii) Preliminary Expenditures (as defined in Section F.20 below) in an aggregate amount not exceeding twenty percent (20%) of the Bond Funded Portion of

entity that is not a Governmental Unit for the management of property or the provision of services at or with respect to the Project, while the Obligation (including any obligation or series thereof issued to refund the Obligation, as the case may be) is outstanding, except: (a) with respect to any contract, agreement or arrangement that does not constitute "private business use" of the Project under Code §141(b), or (b) with respect to any contract, agreement or arrangement that complies with (i) Revenue Procedure 97-13, 1997-1 C.B. 632, as amended by Revenue Procedure 2001-39, 2001-2 C.B. 38, and as amplified by Notice 2014-67, with respect to contracts entered into before August 18, 2017 and not materially modified or extended after August 18, 2017, or (ii) Revenue Procedure 2017-13, with respect to contracts entered into or materially modified or extended on or after August 18, 2017, or (c) with respect to any contract, agreement or arrangement that does not give rise to use of the Bond Funded Portion of the Project Funds or the Project by a non-Governmental Unit of more than the amount of such non-qualified use permitted by the Code, or (d) in the event that the Recipient receives an opinion of counsel, satisfactory to the State Water Board and the Bank and expert in the issuance of state and local government bonds the interest on which is excluded from gross income under Section 103 of the Code ("Nationally-Recognized Bond Counsel"), that such contract, agreement or arrangement will not adversely affect the exclusion of the interest on the Obligation from gross income for federal income taxation purposes.

F.13 No Disposition of Financed Property.

As of the date hereof, the Recipient does not expect to sell or otherwise dispose of any portion of the Project, in whole or in part, prior to the final maturity date of the Obligation.

F.14 Useful Life of Project.

As of the date hereof, the Recipient reasonably expects that the economic useful life of the Project, commencing at Project Completion, will be at least equal to the term of this Agreement, as set forth in Exhibit A hereto.

F.15 Payments.

Payments generally are expected to be derived from assessments, taxes, fees, charges or other current Revenues of the Recipient in each year, and such current Revenues are expected to equal or exceed the Payments during each payment period. Any amounts accumulated in a sinking fund or bona fide debt service fund to pay Payments (whether or not deposited to a fund or account established by the Recipient) will be disbursed to pay Payments within thirteen months of the initial date of accumulation or deposit. Any such fund used for the payment of Payments will be depleted once a year except for a reasonable carryover amount not exceeding the greater of earnings on such fund or one-twelfth of the Payments in either case for the immediately preceding year.

F.16 No Other Replacement Proceeds.

The Recipient will not use any of the Bond Funded Portion of the Project Funds to replace or substitute other funds of the Recipient that were otherwise to be used to finance the Project or which are or will be used to acquire securities, obligations or other investment property reasonably expected to produce a yield that is materially higher than the yield on the Bonds.

F.17 No Sinking or Pledged Fund.

Except as set forth in Section F.18 below, the Recipient will not create or establish any sinking fund or pledged fund which will be used to pay Payments on the Obligation within the meaning of Section 1.148-1(c) of the Treasury Regulations. If any sinking fund or pledged fund comes into being with respect to the Obligation before the Obligation has been fully retired which may be used to pay the Payments, the Recipient will invest such sinking fund and pledged fund moneys at a yield that does not exceed the yield on the Bonds.

F.18 Reserve Amount.

The State Water Board requires that the Recipient maintain and fund a separate account in an amount equal to one (1) year of debt service with respect to the Obligation (the "Reserve Amount") as set forth in Exhibit B. The Recipient represents that the Reserve Amount is and will be available to pay debt service with respect to the

F.24 No Notices or Inquiries from IRS.

Within the last 10 years, the Recipient has not received any notice of a final action of the Internal Revenue Service that determines that interest paid or payable on any debt obligation of the Recipient is or was includable in the gross income of an owner or beneficial owner thereof for federal income tax purposes under the Code.

F.25 Amendments.

The provisions in this Exhibit may be amended, modified or supplemented at any time to reflect changes in the Code upon obtaining written approval of the State Water Board and the Bank and an opinion of Nationally Recognized Bond Counsel to the effect that such amendment, modification or supplement will not adversely affect the exclusion from federal gross income of interest on the Bonds pursuant to Section 103 of the Code.

F.26 Reasonable Expectations.

The Recipient warrants that, to the best of its knowledge, information, and belief, and based on the facts and estimates as set forth in the tax covenants in this Exhibit, the expectations of the Recipient as set forth in this Exhibit are reasonable. The Recipient is not aware of any facts or circumstances that would cause it to question the accuracy or reasonableness of any representation made in the provisions in this Exhibit.

F.27 Assignment.

The Recipient consents to any pledge, sale, or assignment to the Bank or a trustee for the benefit of the owners of the Bonds, if any, at any time of any portion of the State Water Board's estate, right, title, and interest and claim in, to and under this Agreement and the right to make all related waivers and agreements in the name and on behalf of the State Water Board, as agent and attorney-in-fact, and to perform all other related acts which are necessary and appropriate under this Agreement, if any, and the State Water Board's estate, right, title, and interest and claim in, to and under this Agreement to Payments (but excluding the State Water Board's rights to Additional Payments and to notices, opinions and indemnification under each Obligation).