## **RESOLUTION 2023-25**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BEAUMONT-CHERRY VALLEY WATER DISTRICT ADOPTING THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM FOR THE 2020 AND 2021 REPLACEMENT PIPELINE PROJECT

**WHEREAS**, the Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District's Master Plan has identified the need for replacement water pipelines in the District's distribution system; and

WHEREAS, the District determined that the 2020 and 2021 Replacement Pipelines Project (Project) was subject to the California Environmental Quality Act and prepared an Initial Study evaluating the potential environmental effects of the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Initial Study identified potentially significant adverse effects in the areas of biological resources, cultural resources, geology/soils, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology/water quality, transportation, wildfire, tribal cultural resources, and mandatory findings of significance; and

WHEREAS, mitigation measures that avoid the effects or mitigate the effects to a point where clearly no significant effects would occur have been identified through the Initial Study; and

**WHEREAS**, a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program had been prepared and is designed to ensure compliance during Project implementation,

**WHEREAS**, the District determined that the mitigation proposed in the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program would reduce the impacts to a less than significant level and a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) should be prepared; and

WHEREAS, the District distributed a Notice of Intent (NOI) to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the 2020 and 2021 Replacement Pipelines Project on June 16, 2023, which started a 30-day public review period, ending July 17, 2023. The NOI was recorded with the Riverside County Clerk-Recorder's Office, mailed to property owners within a reasonable distance of the Project, posted at the District Offices, Beaumont Library, and City of Beaumont offices, and published in the Record Gazette; and

WHEREAS, the District received no written comments with in the 30-day public comment period; and

**WHEREAS**, the Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District, located at 560 Magnolia Avenue, Beaumont, California 92223, is the custodian of documents and other materials that constitute the record of proceedings upon which the decision to adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration is based.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District as follows:

## A. Adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration

- The Board of Directors finds that the Mitigated Negative Declaration was presented to the Board of Directors, that the Board of Directors has reviewed the Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared for the 2020 and 2021 Replacement Pipelines Project and that the Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared and completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act.
- The Board of Directors finds that on the basis of the Mitigated Negative Declaration and the whole record that there is no substantial evidence that the Project will have a significant adverse impact individually or cumulatively on the environment.

## B. Adoption of the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program

- 1. The Board of Directors hereby adopts the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, as set forth in the Project staff report.
- The Board of Directors hereby finds that the proposed mitigation measures described in the Mitigated Negative Declaration are feasible and therefore will become binding upon the District and its construction contractors.

ADOPTED this 13th day of September, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: COVINGTON, HOFFMAN, RAMIREZ, SLAWSON, WILLIAMS

ATTEST:

NOES: ABSTAIN: ABSENT:

Director David Hoffman, President of the Board of Directors of the

Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District

Director Daniel Slawson, Secretary to the

Board of Directors of the

Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District