

## **RESOLUTION 16-07**

### **A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE FORT ORD REUSE AUTHORITY TO RECOMMEND THE PURE WATER MONTEREY GROUNDWATER REPLENISHMENT PROJECT TO THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION.**

THIS RESOLUTION is adopted with reference to the following facts and circumstances:

- A. The U.S. Army entered into agreement with Monterey County Water Resource Agency to allow up to 6600 acre feet per year (AFY) of pumping from the Salinas Valley Ground Water Basin; and,
- B. The 1997 Fort Ord Base Reuse Plan (BRP) identified water availability as a resource constraint estimating approximately 2,400 AFY of additional water resource to augment the existing groundwater supply would likely be needed to achieve the replacement reuse activity outlined in the BRP (Volume 3, figure PFIP 2-7); and,
- C. FORA transferred ownership of all of the then existing Ord water and sewer facilities to the Marina Coast Water District (MCWD) under the 1998 Water/Wastewater Facilities Agreement (1998 Agreement); title was transferred in 2001; and,
- D. Under Section 3.2.2 of the 1998 Agreement, FORA has the responsibility to determine, in consultation with MCWD, what additional water and sewer facilities are necessary for MCWD's Ord Community service area in order to meet the BRP requirements, and that, once FORA determines that additional water supply and/or sewer conveyance capacity is needed, under Section 3.2.1, it is MCWD's responsibility to plan, design, and construct such additional water and sewer facilities. Section 7.1.2 requires FORA to insure that MCWD recovers all of its costs for the new facilities and their operation; and,
- E. In 2002, MCWD, in cooperation with FORA, initiated the Regional Urban Water Augmentation Project (RUWAP) to explore water supply alternatives to provide the additional 2,400 AFY of water supply needed under the BRP; and,
- F. After completing environmental review, FORA and MCWD agreed to adopt a modified hybrid plan, which would provide recycled and desalinated water to the Ord Community and this in turn resulted in the FORA Board adopting Resolution 07-10 (May 2007), which allocated 1,427 AFY of RUWAP recycled water to its land use jurisdiction; and,
- G. In June 2009, MCWD and the Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency (MRWPCA) entered into a 50-year RUWAP Memorandum of Understanding, in which (a) MRWPCA committed 650 AFY of summer recycled water to MCWD for the Ord Community; (b) MCWD affirmed its commitment of 300 AFY of summer recycled water to the Ord Community; and (c) MRWPCA and MCWD committed to supply 477 AFY of recycled water during other months to the Ord Community - for a total of 1,427 AFY; and,
- H. MCWD continues to work collaboratively with FORA and with MRWPCA to carry out MCWD's obligation to provide 1,427 AFY of recycled water for the Ord Community; and,
- I. On September 8, 2015, MCWD and MRWPCA tentatively agreed to work together on the Pure Water Monterey Project as described in that certain draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) dated April 22, 2015, to provide advanced treated water for recharge water

into the Seaside groundwater basin and to serve MCWD, existing, and future recycled water customers as part of the recycled component of RUWAP; and,

- J. FORA Board of Directors unanimously resolved to endorse the PCA Pure Water Monterey Project as a potential supplier of augmented water on October 9, 2015; and,
- K. FORA Board of Directors unanimously endorsed a joint planning process between FORA, PCA, and MCWD on November 13, 2015; and,
- L. In December 2015, MCWD's and MRWPCA's Board have mutually agreed in principle on terms regarding cost sharing, ownership, operations, maintenance, funding, and completion of work for the Pure Water Monterey Project. MRWPCA will supply Advanced Treated Water to MCWD, who will then provide it to the Ord Community in place of Tertiary Water; and,
- M. Advanced treated water is better quality water than Tertiary Water and MRWPCA currently estimates that the Pure Water Monterey Project will provide water to the Ord Community that costs less per acre foot of Tertiary Water; and,
- N. Based on these facts and FORA's position in its CIP report that MCWD is already contractually obligated to provide the recycled water, FORA's approval of changing the recycled water project from tertiary treated recycled water to advanced treated recycled water will clarify FORA's support for the Pure Water Monterey Project.

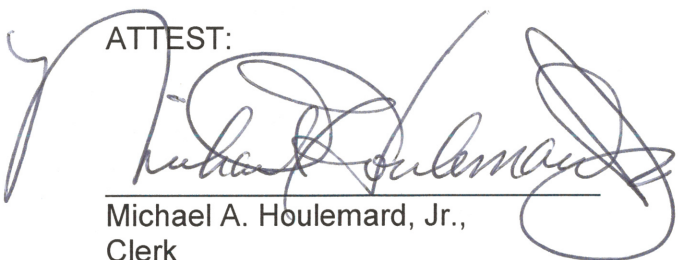
NOW THEREFORE the Board hereby resolves that:

- 1. FORA recommends MRWPCA Pure Water Project to the California Public Utilities Commission as a project able to support FORA's Water Augmentation mitigation requirements, and whose Product Conveyance Facilities will decrease long term costs to the end user through economies of scale in conjunction with Marina Coast Water District.
- 2. \$3-7M of the total CIP Budget for Water Augmentation (\$24M) may be used to assist in funding a 'Pipeline' if the project moves ahead and can deliver the substituted water resource.

**ADOPTED** this 12th day of February, 2016 by the Fort Ord Reuse Authority by the following roll call votes listed by name:

AYES:	BEACH, HAFFA, GUNTER, KAMPE, MORTON, O'CONNELL, OGLESBY, RUBIO, PARKER, PENDERGRASS, PHILLIPS
NOES:	NONE
ABSTENTIONS:	NONE
ABSENT:	CLARK, POTTER

ATTEST:

  
Michael A. Houlemard, Jr.,  
Clerk

APPROVED:

  
Frank O'Connell, FORA Board Chair