

RESOLUTION 9344

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
IN SUPPORT OF ITS PROPOSAL FOR FUNDING
UNDER THE DELTA CONSERVANCY NATURE BASED SOLUTIONS:
WETLAND RESTORATION GRANT PROGRAM TO DEVELOP
A MULTI-BENEFIT LANDSCAPE OPPORTUNITY ON WEBB TRACT**

WHEREAS, the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy (Delta Conservancy) is requesting proposals from sponsors to facilitate project development under the Amended Budget Act of 2022 for projects that support Nature Based Solutions: Wetland Restoration; and

WHEREAS, the submittal of a proposal for grant funding and acceptance of funding by Metropolitan has been determined not to be a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Section 15378(b)(4) and Section 15378(b)(5) of the State CEQA Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the expenditure of grant funding, if awarded, for design, environmental review, preconstruction data collection and permitting activities by Metropolitan has been determined to be exempt from CEQA under Section 15306 and Section 15262 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

WHEREAS, prior to formal approval of any proposed construction by the Board, CEQA documentation will be prepared and processed in accordance with the CEQA and State CEQA Guidelines; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California that the Board supports the Metropolitan Water District's proposal to Develop a Multi-Benefit Landscape Opportunity on Webb Tract.

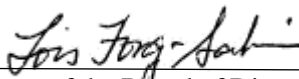
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Metropolitan's Board authorizes Metropolitan's General Manager or his/her designee to accept grant funding of approximately \$20,900,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Metropolitan's Board delegates legal authority to Metropolitan's General Manager to enter into an agreement with the Delta Conservancy, subject to the approval of the General Counsel, relevant to receipt of the requested proposal to Develop a Multi-Benefit Landscape Opportunity on Webb Tract grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Metropolitan is capable of providing the amount of funding and/or in-kind contributions specified in the funding plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if selected for funding, Metropolitan will work with Delta Conservancy to meet established program deadlines.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California at its meeting held May 9, 2023.



Secretary of the Board of Directors
of The Metropolitan Water District
of Southern California