

Location: Yosemite Falls Cafe

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Date:

October 31, 2018

# **AGENDA**

1. Call to Order: Changes, Additions or Deletions to Fukuda Agenda.

2. Temperance Flat Reservoir Joint Powers Authority Payne, Fukuda

• Temperance Flat Reservoir JPA Status Update

JPALogistics

JPABylaws

Initial JPA Projects

3. California Water Commission Fukuda, Collup

• CWC Draft Transition Requirements

Quarterly Reporting

Early funding status

4. Bureau of Reclamation Fukuda, Payne

• Federal Feasibility Report Update

MOU Cost Sharing Partner

• WIIN Act Request Update

5. Temperance Flat MOU Group – Update on modeling Collup, Fukuda

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6. Other Items of Interest

# 9/21/2018 Meeting Notes

#### Agenda:

- 1. Call to Order: The Meeting was called to order, and the agenda was distributed at 8:30 AM at the Yosemite Falls Cafe
- 2. Temperance Flat Reservoir Joint Power Authority
  - a. Mr. Payne and Mr. Fukuda Opening Remarks: Discussions with the San Joaquin Valley Water Infrastructure Authority (SJVWIA) have taken place whereby they are looking to transition the representation of the Temperance Flat WSIP application with the CWC to another JPA. There is an urgency to establish the new Temperance Flat JPA to fill the role that the SJVWIA is currently filling with the CWC. The current draft JPA was based on the original concepts of the MOA and is intended to be the initial formation documents, subject to changes in the future as new members and the project progresses. The plan is for the FWA to seek Board approval at their September 27th Board Meeting and shortly after, the Exchange Contractors would approve the JPA in the first week of October, therefore making the JPA effective.
    - i. All parties recognize that the goal is to have five agencies signed on to the JPA immediately, however, due to logistics such as the timing of gaining approval of the SLDMWA group, this is not realistic. To keep the process moving and fill the representation gaps, getting the JPA active with two members is the logical process.
  - b. Mr. Davis provided a review of the Draft JPA with the following discussion:
    - Section 2.5 We need to select an agency with the broadest powers. It was
      decided that Friant Water Authority was the best option given they hold the
      power of an irrigation district. The group agreed to put FWA in the document
      under Section 2.5.
    - ii. Section 4.3.2 There was a discussion regarding the ability to have a manager represent an agency on the Board. The FWA intent was to have directors as the representatives, given the initial actions of the JPA will be of a policy nature. The City of Fresno does present a problem, given their structure and Director Obanion expressed the wish to have as much flexibility as possible and to allow for the reduction in the number of meetings that directors must attend. The group, including Director Upton, felt that we should let each agency to pick their representatives and allow for flexibility.
    - iii. The group discussed the initial contribution to the JPA and agreed that \$15,000 was appropriate. The City of Fresno indicated they must have a budget number to get approved by the city council.
    - iv. The initial withdrawal process was established at 180 days, and the group decided that a 60 day period was more appropriate.
  - c. Mr. Payne reiterated the plan moving forward: Intent is to receive a few more comments (City of Fresno and Westlands) and to incorporate them into the JPA with the understanding that they are not significant changes to the JPA. Friant will present the JPA to the FWA Board next Thursday for CEO to sign by the time the second authority is ready to sign. Exchange Contractors will take to Board first week of October. Comments will be exchanged via email, and if comments come in that are significant, it will require a conference call.

d. Mr. Davis presented the draft Bylaws and submitted comments and changes made by the agencies. There were no further questions or comments, and the Draft Bylaws will be introduced to the JPA when the time is appropriate.

#### 3. California Water Commission

- a. Mr. Fukuda reported on a recent meeting of the California Water Commission. He stated that the CWC would be looking at establishing some guidelines regarding how to distribute unused funds if the situation arises. He also reported that he introduced himself to the CWC Executive Director and the Project Manager for the WSIP program and they are awaiting our transition from the SJVWIA.
- b. Mr. Fukuda reported that the CWC had supplied their initial requirements to transition from the SJVWIA, which included 1) a letter from the SJVWIA stating that they approve of the transfer to the Temperance Flat JPA, 2) the JPA documents and resolutions, and 3) a letter from the Temperance Flat JPA stating that they accept the role of the applicant in the WSIP process.
- c. Mr. Fukuda reported that quarterly reporting will be required in the WSIP program and that the initial quarterly report due in October is meant to be a very detail look back and into the future for the project. Because of our transition, the intent is to request that the initial detailed quarterly report is postponed until the first quarter of 2019.
- d. Mr. Fukuda updated the group on early funding, indicating that the CWC did not approve early funding to the Temperance Flat project
- e. Mr. Fukuda and Mr. Collup reported that Mario Santoyo had initiated a process via the Governor's Office to request the CWC to reconsider early funding. Upon the recommendation of Mr. Fukuda and Mr. Collup, Mr. Santoyo opted not to pursue this effort.

#### 4. Bureau of Reclamation

- a. Mr. Payne provided an update on the Federal Feasibility report, indicating that a draft copy was being offered for review by agencies. The review is confidential but would allow agencies to determine if there are any fatal flaws before it is approved and moved forward to the Commissioner. He stated that there were some concerns surrounding the Bureau providing language that would commit Fresno ID to an exchange program with water on the Kings River.
- b. Mr. Fukuda and Mr. Payne reported that the SJVWIA is currently acting as the MOU Cost Sharing partner with the Bureau on the Federal Feasibility Report, however after the report is complete, the MOU partnership will conclude. The Bureau has been adamant that they are going to need to identify a JPA cost-sharing partner immediately after the Feasibility Report is complete to keep the project on track.
- c. Mr. Fukuda and Mr. Payne reported that WIIN Act request of \$20 million was made by the Bureau for preconstruction activities. Again, it was said that it is critical to establish the JPA because the \$20 million requires a cost-sharing partner.

#### 5. Temperance Flat MOU Group

a. Mr. Collup reported on the activities of the MOU Group, which included ongoing modeling efforts for Temperance Flat. Many of the eastside contractors had provided storage amounts, and modeling efforts. The westside modeling efforts are expected to be completed soon, and they will have a better idea of the storage and operation of Temperance Flat.

## **Attendees:**

- o Daniel Errotabere Westlands WD
- o Aaron Fukuda FWA/Tulare ID
- o James O'Banion CCID
- Steve Collup FWA/AEWSD
- Mike Carbajal City of Fresno
- o Frances Mizuno SLDMWA
- o Kole Upton FWA
- o Jeff Payne FWA
- o Russ Freeman Westlands WD

## **Action Items:**

# TEMPERANCE FLAT RESERVOIR AUTHORITY JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AGREEMENT

This Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement ("Agreement") is entered into by the parties on the attached Exhibit A, which are referred to in this Agreement individually as a "Member" and collectively as the "Members."

#### **RECITALS**

- A. Each of the Members is a public agency organized and operating under the laws of the State of California.
- B. California Government Code sections 6500 6599.3 (the "**Joint Exercise of Powers Act**" or "**Act**") provides that two or more public agencies may by agreement jointly exercise any power common to the contracting parties.
- C. The Members desire by this Agreement to establish an independent special agency known as the Temperance Flat Reservoir Authority ("Authority"), that will have as its mission, to promote, develop, design, permit, finance, acquire, construct, manage, maintain, and operate a dam and reservoir at Temperance Flat and related facilities.
- D. The Members each possess the powers to promote, develop, design, permit, finance, acquire, construct, manage, maintain and operate water storage and related infrastructure projects.
  - E. The Members each desire to exercise those powers as provided in this Agreement.

# **AGREEMENT**

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises, covenants, and conditions set forth in this Agreement, the Members agree as follows:

## I. DEFINITIONS

As used in this Agreement, the following words and phrase will have the meaning set forth in this article:

- 1.1 **Agreement**: This Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement as it currently exists or as it may be amended or revised from time to time.
- 1.2 **Authority**: The legal entity established by this Agreement to be known as the Temperance Flat Reservoir Authority.
- 1.3 **Board of Directors or Board**: The governing body of the Authority as established in Article IV of this Agreement.
- 1.4 **Bylaws**: Additional requirements to those contained in the Agreement related to the construction of the Temperance Flat Reservoir; emphasizing delegations of authority, decision-making; membership types; budgeting; and cost management.

- 1.5 **Central Valley Project or CVP**: The federal reclamation project operated by Reclamation pursuant to federal reclamation law (Act of June 17, 1902 (32 Stat. 388)) and acts amendatory or supplementary thereto.
- 1.6 **Exchange Contract**: Second Amended Contract for Exchange of Waters (I1r-1144) dated December 6, 1967.
- 1.7 **Member**: An eligible public agency that is a signatory to this Agreement.
- 1.8 **Non-Member Participating Party**: An agency or entity that is not an Authority Member, but is deemed eligible by the Authority to participate by contract in certain elements of the Project. The Bylaws may provide for additional requirements for such Non-Members.
- 1.9 **Project**: The promotion, development, design, permitting, financing, acquisition, construction, management, and operation of a dam and reservoir and related facilities at Temperance Flat to be carried out pursuant to this Agreement.
- 1.10 Purchase Contract: Contract for Purchase of Miller & Lux Water Rights- July 27, 1939.
- 1.11 **Reclamation**: The United States Department of Interior, Bureau of Reclamation.
- 1.12 **State Water Project or SWP**: The state water facilities defined in California Water Code section 12934(d).
- 1.13 Upstream Power Agreements: Certain contracts between Miller and Lux Inc. and Southern California Edison Company, Limited and its predecessors in interest of dates: August 17, 1906, and supplemental contract of the same date; June 14, 1909; February 21, 1916; October 3, 1916; August 16, 1918; April 27, 1920; November 2, 1922; February 11, 1924; October 7, 1924; December 3, 1925; April 25, 1928; July 19, 1933; November 25, 1936; June 30, 1949; April 9, 1953; and May 1, 1957, and certain contracts between Miller and Lux Inc. and the San Joaquin light and power Corporation, and its predecessors in interest, of dates: June 14, 1909, and September 16, 1919.

# II. GENERAL PROVISIONS REGARDING THE CREATION, TERM, PURPOSES, AND POWERS OF THE AUTHORITY

- 2.1 <u>Creation</u>: Pursuant to the Act a public entity is created to be known as the Temperance Flat Reservoir Authority, which will be a public agency that is separate from the Members.
- 2.2 <u>Term</u>: This Agreement will become effective on the first day of the month after the Friant Water Authority and at least one other of the initial public agencies listed on <u>Exhibit A</u> execute this Agreement. The Agreement will remain in effect until terminated pursuant to the provisions of Article VII [Termination].
- 2.3 <u>Purposes</u>: The purpose of this Agreement is to establish an independent joint powers authority ("JPA") to exercise powers common to the Members to, among other things, effectively <u>plan promote</u>, <u>develop</u>, <u>design</u>, <u>permit</u>, <u>finance</u>, <u>acquire</u>, <u>construct</u>, <u>manage</u>, <u>maintain</u>, <u>and operate</u> the Temperance Flat Reservoir and its related facilities, including any related facilities for recreation and hydro-electric power generation, <u>which will include promotion</u>, <u>development and preliminary design work</u>.

- 2.4 <u>Powers</u>: The Authority will have the power to pursue the purposes described above and to perform all acts necessary for the exercise of such powers, including, but not limited to, the ability to:
  - 2.4.1 make and enter into contracts necessary for the full exercise of its powers;
  - 2.3.1. perform studies, environmental review, engineering and design, and if appropriate, permitting, construction of water storage facilities, and related conjunctive management;
  - 2.4.2 contract for the services of engineers, attorneys, scientists, planners, financial consultants, and other professionals or to employ such professionals as it deems necessary;
  - 2.4.3 acquire, hold, lease and dispose of any property;
  - 2.4.4 apply for, accept, and receive permits, licenses from any federal, state or local public agency;
  - 2.4.5 apply for, accept, and receive federal, state or local grants, loans, or other aid from any agency of the United States, the state or other public or private entities;
  - 2.4.6 receive gifts, contributions and donations of property, funds, services and other forms of assistance from persons, firms, corporations and any governmental entity;
  - 2.4.7 issue revenue bonds and other forms of indebtedness to the extent, and on the terms, provided by the Act;
  - 2.4.8 incur debts, liabilities, and obligations;
  - 2.4.9 sue and be sued in its own name:
  - 2.4.10 adopt Bylaws, rules, regulations, and procedures, governing the operation of the Authority;
  - 2.4.11 perform all acts necessary or proper to carry out fully the purposes of this Agreement; and
  - 2.4.12 exercise any independent or supplementary powers of a joint powers agency, as provided by the Act or other law.
- 2.5 <u>Manner of Exercise of Powers</u>: To the extent not specifically provided for in this Agreement or the Act, the Authority will exercise its powers subject to the restrictions upon the manner of exercising the powers under the laws applicable to the Friant Water Authority, which in accordance with California Government Code section 6509 exercises its powers in the manner specified in the Irrigation District Law, Division 11 of the California Water Code, commencing at Section 20500.
- 2.6 <u>No Implied Effect on Rights</u>: Except as expressly provided in this Agreement, nothing in this Agreement may be construed as affecting the rights or obligations of the Members, including but not limited to any rights or obligations pursuant to contracts for delivery of water from the

CVP or SWP, the Exchange Contract, the Purchase Contract, or Upstream Power Agreements.

### III. AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIP

- 3.1 <u>Generally</u>: Authority membership is comprised of public agencies (as defined in Section 6500 of the Act) that are authorized to be Members, including under California Water Code section 79759(a) and (b) if funds are allocated to the Project under Chapter 8 of Division 26.7 of the Water Code beginning at section 79700, and are signatories to this Agreement.
- 3.2 <u>Bureau of Reclamation</u>: The Authority may enter into a contract or other arrangement with Reclamation to carry out the purposes of this Agreement.
- 3.3 <u>Department of Water Resources</u>: If the Authority receives funding for the Project under Chapter 8 of Division 26.7 of the California Water Code beginning at section 79700, the California Department of Water Resources ("**DWR**") will be an ex officio Member of the Authority as provided in Water Code section 79759(b), but in accordance with that provision will have no control with respect to the governance, management, or operation of the Project.
- 3.4 Addition of Members: Entities authorized by law to participate in a JPA may subsequently become Members upon the unanimous vote of all Members and the new Member's execution of this Agreement, as it may be amended. An entity requesting to become a Member must provide certification of compliance with the membership requirements of this Agreement and the Bylaws. The entity requesting to become a Member may represent a group of other entities. Terms and conditions for a new Member's participation in the Authority, if any, will be set forth in an amendment to this Agreement or in the Bylaws. Such terms and conditions must be consistent with this Agreement and any contracts, resolutions, or indentures of the Authority then in effect.
- 3.5 Non-Membership Participation Types: The Board may approve the creation of different types of non-membership participation that may include governmental agencies, public agencies, or private entities, with respect to the funding and financing of the different elements of the Project. The creation of any additional non-membership participation types will be defined in the Bylaws. Participation by such Non-Member Participating Parties will be upon the affirmative vote of at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the total number of Members.

## IV. GOVERNANCE AND INTERNAL ORGANIZATION

- 4.1 <u>Board of Directors</u>: The governing body of the Authority is a Board of Directors ("**Board**") that will conduct all business on behalf of the Authority consistent with this Agreement and applicable law. The Board consists of one representative of each Member. To remain in an active status, each Member having representation on the Board must be in "Good Standing" as defined in the Bylaws.
- 4.2 Exercise of Authority: All the power and authority of the Authority will be exercised by the Board subject to the rights reserved by the Members as set forth in this Agreement; provided, however, that the Board may delegate such powers and authority to the Chair or Chief Executive Officer as the Board may determine by motion, resolution or ordinance. The Board may also appoint and delegate such powers and authority to such committees as the Board may determine by motion, resolution or ordinance.

# 4.3 <u>Directors and Alternates:</u>

- 4.3.1 Each Member must appoint a Director to the Board. Each Member must also appoint at least one Alternate Director to the Board. The role of the Alternate Director will be to assume the duties of a Member's Director in case of the absence or unavailability of such Director.
- 4.3.2 The Directors and Alternate Directors must be directors or members of the governing body of the Member agency, or employees of the Member he or she represents.
- 4.3.3 Directors and Alternates both serve at the pleasure of the governing body of their respective Member agency. Authority Member agencies must communicate their initial Director and Alternate selections, and any subsequent changes in representatives, to the Authority in writing and include a certified copy of the resolution of the governing body, minutes of the relevant meeting, or other formal documentation evidencing the appointment.
- 4.3.4 Should a Director who is also an officer of the Board not be in attendance at a meeting, the Member's Alternate Director may not assume the duties of such officer. Should the Chair be absent, the Vice Chair will assume the Chair's responsibilities until the Chair is present, and if both are absent the Board may appoint a temporary Chair.
- 4.3.5 A Director and Alternate Director office will be declared vacant if the person serving dies, resigns, the Member for which the Director or Alternate Director serves withdraws from this Agreement, the membership of the Member for which the Director or Alternate Director serves is terminated, or whenever, at the discretion of the particular Member, the Director or Alternative Director is incapable of serving. Upon the Director office becoming vacant, the Alternate Director, if the office is not vacant, will serve as Director, until the Member appoints a new Director or Alternate, as applicable.
- 4.4 <u>Meetings</u>: The Board must hold at least one regular meeting per year, and may hold regular or special meetings at more frequent intervals. All meetings of the Board will be called, held, noticed, and conducted subject to the provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act (California Government Code sections 54950 and following).
- 4.5 Quorum: A majority of the total number of Directors will constitute a quorum.

# 4.6 <u>Voting</u>:

- 4.6.1 Each Member agency is only entitled to have one vote, either by its Director or the Alternate, at a meeting of the Board.
- 4.7 Officers: The officers of the Authority will be a Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary.
  - 4.7.1 Chair; Vice Chair. The Board will select, from among the Directors, a Chair, who will be the presiding officer for all Board meetings, and a Vice Chair, who will preside in the absence of the Chair.
  - 4.7.2 Treasurer. The Board, or its designated representative, will contract either with an independent certified public accountant or the treasurer, chief financial officer, or

other employee of any Member, to serve as Treasurer of the Authority. The Treasurer will be the depository of and have custody of funds, subject to the requirements of California Government Code sections 6505-6505.6. The Treasurer will have custody of all money of the Authority from whatever source and will perform the duties specified in Government Code section 6505.5. The Treasurer will be bound in accordance with Government Code section 6505.1 and will pay demands against the Authority that have been approved by the Board.

- 4.7.3 Secretary. The Board will also select a Secretary, who will be responsible for keeping the minutes of all meetings of the Board and all other official records of the Authority. The Board may combine the positions of Secretary and Treasurer.
- 4.7.4 The Bylaws may further address the duties, responsibilities and administrative requirements for the respective officers.
- 4.7.5 Chief Executive Officer. The Board may appoint a Chief Executive Officer or assign staff of one or more Members to conduct the business of the Authority in accordance with the policies of the Board; provided that no Member's staff will be so assigned without the consent of that Member. The Chief Executive Officer will serve at the pleasure of the Board and may be an employee or a contractor of the Authority.
- 4.7.6 General Counsel. The Board may retain general counsel, who reports to the Board and serves at the pleasure of the Board.
- 4.7.7 Staff. The Authority may employ such full-time and part-time employees and independent contractors as may be necessary from time to time to accomplish the purposes of the Authority.
- 4.8 <u>Bylaws</u>: At, or as soon as practical after, the first meeting of the Board of Directors, the Board will approve the Bylaws of the Authority to govern the day-to-day operations of the Authority. The Board may adopt such other policies, rules and regulations for the conduct of its affairs as may be necessary for the purposes of this Agreement in a manner consistent with this Agreement and the Bylaws.
- 4.9 <u>Liability of Authority, Officers, and Employees</u>: The Directors, officers, and any employees of the Authority must use ordinary care and reasonable diligence in the exercise of their powers and in the performance of their duties pursuant to this Agreement. No Director, officer, employee or agent will be responsible for any act or omission by another Director, officer, employee, or agent. As further set forth in <u>Section 5.10</u>, the Authority will indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the individual Directors, officers, employees, and agents of the Authority for any action taken within the course and scope of their duties while acting on behalf of the Authority pursuant to this Agreement. The Authority may purchase such insurance as the Board may deem appropriate for this purpose. Nothing in this section may be construed to limit the defenses available under the law, to the Members, the Authority, or its Directors, officers, employees, or agents.

### V. FINANCIAL PROVISIONS

5.1 <u>Fiscal year</u>: The fiscal year will be July 1 through June 31, unless the Directors decide otherwise, and will also apply to any Project Agreements unless the parties to such Project Agreement decide otherwise.

- 5.2 <u>Depository</u>: All funds of the Authority will be held in separate accounts in the name of the Authority and not commingled with the funds of any Member or any other person or entity. Regular reports will be made as directed by the Board, but at least quarterly, to the Board of all receipts and disbursements. The books and records will be open to inspection by the Board and individual Directors upon reasonable notice.
- 5.3 <u>Budgets</u>: A draft budget will be prepared for the Member agencies to review at least 45 days before the beginning of the Authority's next fiscal year. The Board will approve the budget no later than 15 days before the beginning of the fiscal year. The budget must include:
  - 5.3.1 General and administrative costs for the general operation and administration of the Authority. These costs do not include any costs incurred by the Authority directly as a result of a specific Project Agreement as described in Article VI.
  - 5.3.2 Project specific costs will be fully described and specified in a Project Agreement. The Board will ensure that all costs incurred by the Authority directly relating to any specific project will be paid only by the parties to the Project Agreement and will not be paid for by the Authority as general and administrative costs. The Bylaws may include additional requirements and criteria for such costs.
- 5.4 <u>Initial Contributions</u>: Upon formation of the Authority, each initial Member will make an admission contribution of \$15,000 for the purpose of funding anticipated operation and administrative expenses for the initial six months or more of operation of the Authority until a budget for the first full fiscal year is approved.
- 5.5 Recovery of General and Administrative Costs:
  - 5.5.1 The Board may assess each Member for the general and administrative costs to operate the Authority. Payments of public funds may be made to defray the costs incurred in carrying out such purposes, and advances of funds may be made for use in doing so, to be repaid as provided in this Agreement. Personnel, equipment or property of one or more of the Members may be used in lieu of other contributions or advances, upon Board approval, and will be treated as a contribution from that Member.
  - 5.5.2 General and administrative costs incurred by the Authority in carrying out its purposes, as described in <u>Section 5.3.1</u>, will be shared by the Members as determined by the Board.
  - 5.5.3 The Authority will periodically, as necessary, issue an invoice to each Member reflecting the expenses attributable to that Member in accordance with this Agreement or the applicable Project Agreement, respectively. The Authority must receive payment within 60 days of the date listed on the invoice. Delinquent sums will bear interest at a rate established in the Bylaws, which may include additional requirements.
  - 5.5.4 Upon request of any Member, the Authority will produce and allow the inspection of all documents relating to the computation of expenses attributable to the Members under this Agreement. If a Member does not agree with the amount listed on the invoice, it must make full payment and provide a cover letter accompanying payment to the Authority specifying the amount in dispute and providing a detailed explanation

of the basis for the dispute. The Authority will advise the disputing Member of the Authority's determination within 30 business days.

- 5.6 <u>Recovery of Project Agreement Costs</u>: Each Project Agreement will specify the requirements for recovery of costs.
- 5.7 Auditor; Audit: An auditor will be chosen annually by, and serve at the pleasure of, the Board. The auditor will make an annual audit of the accounts and records of the Authority. A report will be filed as a public record with the auditor of the county where the Authority is domiciled, consistent with Section 6505 of the Act, and with each agency or entity that is a Member, and to any public agency or person in California that submits a written request to the Authority.
- 5.8 <u>Bonds</u>: The Board may, from time to time, designate the officers or other persons who have charge of, handle, or have access to any property of the Authority and will require such officers or persons to file an official bond, at the Authority's expense, in an amount to be fixed by the Board.
- 5.9 <u>No Authority Member Liability</u>: As provided by California Government Code section 6508.1, the debts, liabilities, and obligations of the Authority will be the debts, liabilities, and obligations of the Authority only, and not of the individual Members.
- Indemnity: Funds of the Authority may be used to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the 5.10 Authority, each Member, each Director, and any officers, agents and employees of the Authority for their actions taken within the course and scope of their duties while acting on behalf of the Authority, including pursuant to a Project Agreement. Other than for gross negligence or intentional acts, the Authority will indemnify and hold harmless each Member. its officers, agents and employees from and against all claims, demands, or liability, including legal costs, arising out of or are encountered in connection with this Agreement and the activities conducted in performance of this Agreement and will defend each of them against any claim, cause of action, liability, or damage resulting therefrom. The Directors, officers, employees, agents and volunteers of the Authority will be entitled to defense and indemnification by the Authority as provided under California Government Code Title 1. Division 3.6, Part 2, Chapter 1, Article 4 (commencing with Section 825) and Title 1, Division 3.6, part 7 (commencing with section 995). The indemnification and hold harmless provisions of this section apply in lieu of the right of contribution provisions at Government Code Sections 895-895.8. The provisions of California Civil Code section 2778 regarding the interpretation of indemnity provisions are made a part of this Agreement.

# VI. PROJECT AGREEMENTS

- 6.1 <u>General</u>: The Authority intends to carry out many of the purposes of this Agreement through projects that are consistent with the purposes of the Authority as described in this Agreement. Funding and participation in certain projects undertaken by the Authority will be governed by a "**Project Agreement**". The Authority may undertake all or any portion of each project on its own or it may enter into agreements with the State of California, the United States, or any other public or private entity.
- 6.2 <u>Parties to Agreement</u>: Prior to undertaking a project, the Members and any Non-Member Participating Parties electing to participate in the project must enter into a Project Agreement. No Member will be required to be involved in a Project Agreement.

6.3 Project Agreement: All assets, rights, benefits, and obligations attributable to the project will be assets, rights, benefits, and obligations of those Members and Non-Member Participating Parties that have entered into the Project Agreement. Any debts, liabilities, obligations or indebtedness incurred by the Authority in regard to a particular project will be the debts, liabilities, obligations, and indebtedness of the Members and Non-Member Participating Parties who have executed the respective Project Agreement and will not be the debts, liabilities, obligations or indebtedness of the Members and Non-Member Participating Parties that have not executed the Project Agreement, nor of the Authority. The Bylaws may provide additional requirements regarding the implementation of each Project Agreement.

# VII. TERMINATION, WITHDRAWAL, AND SUSPENSION

# 7.1 Termination:

- 7.1.1 Automatic Termination. Within twelve months of the effective date of this Agreement under Section 2.2, the Authority will adopt by unanimous vote Members will attempt to reach an agreement on operating principles of the Project. If operating principles are not adopted If—within that twelve month periodagreement on such operating principles is not reached by the Members or the time period to reach an agreement under this Section is not extended by an amendment to this Agreement, then this Agreement will automatically terminate at the expiration of such twelve-month period.
- 7.1.2 <u>Mutual Termination</u>. This Agreement may be terminated by the mutual agreement of at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the total number of the boards or governing bodies of the Member agencies in writing.
- 7.1.3 Termination of a Member by the Authority. This Agreement may be terminated with respect to any Member upon the affirmative vote of all Directors less one. Prior to any vote to terminate this Agreement with respect to a Member, written notice of the proposed termination and the reason(s) for such termination will be presented at a regular Board meeting with opportunity for discussion. The Member subject to possible termination will have the opportunity at the next following regular Board meeting to respond to any reasons and allegations that may be cited as a basis for termination prior to a vote. If a Member is terminated, that Member will be responsible for its proportionate share of any costs incurred by the Authority up to the date of termination.
- 7.2 Member Voluntary Withdrawal from Authority: Any Member may unilaterally withdraw from the Authority by giving at least 60 days' written notice of its election to do so, which notice will be given to the Authority and each Member; provided that such withdrawal does not in any way impair any contracts or obligations of the Authority then in effect.
  - 7.2.1 The withdrawing Member shall only be responsible for and must pay its proportionate share of: (1) general and administrative costs, described in Section 5.5, budgeted, and approved, and expended at least 14 days prior to the effective date on which the notice was given, of withdrawal and (2) any costs incurred under a multi-year contract entered into by the Authority at least 14 days prior to the date on which the notice was given, while it was a member unless the remaining Members agree to assume the withdrawing Member's obligations. The withdrawing Member will also be responsible for its share of any claims, demands, damages, or liability arising from this Agreement through the date of withdrawal. The costs shall be paid within 30 day of the Authority completed an accounting of costs due.

- 7.2.2 The withdrawing Member obligation for costs incurred or rights to money held by the Authority for a project shall be determined by the terms and conditions of the Project Agreement under Article VIWith respect to a particular project, and subject to the terms of the applicable Project Agreement, the withdrawing Member will be responsible for its share of all costs, expenses, advances, contractual obligations, and other obligations, including bonds, notes or other indebtedness issued by the Authority while such withdrawing entity was a party to a Project Agreement. The remaining parties to a Project Agreement will have the option of discontinuing a project and/or acquiring the interests of the withdrawing party, as may be more particularly described in the Project Agreement. If the remaining Members to a Project Agreement under Article VI decide to terminate the Project Agreement, any remaining funds will be allocated pursuant to the terms of the Project Agreement, including the withdrawing party.
- 7.27.3 Withdrawal by Operation of Law: Should the participation of any Member be decided by the courts to be illegal or in excess of that Member's authority or in conflict with any law, such Member must withdraw no later than the date such determination becomes final and must pay its proportionate share of the matters set forth in Section 7.2.1.
- 7.37.4 Disposition of Assets Upon Termination: Upon termination of this Agreement, any surplus money or assets in the possession of the Authority for use under this Agreement, after payment of liabilities, costs, expenses and charges incurred under this Agreement, will be returned to the then-existing Members in proportion to the total contributions made by each Member. The Board of Directors will first offer the properties, works, rights and interests of the Authority for sale to Members. If such sale is not consummated or only partially consummated, the Board of Directors will offer to sell the properties, works, rights and interests of the Authority to any public utility, governmental agency, or other entity or entities for good and adequate consideration. The Authority will have the power to consummate such sales and the net proceeds from the sales will be distributed among the Members in proportion to their total contributions.

### VIII. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- 8.1 <u>Amendment of Agreement</u>: This Agreement may be amended only by the unanimous vote of all of the Member agencies. The Authority will provide notice to all Members of amendments to this Agreement, including the effective date of such amendments. .
- 8.2 Adoption and Amendment of Bylaws: The Bylaws may be adopted or amended only by the unanimous vote of the total number of Directors. The Authority will provide notice to all Members of amendments to the Bylaws, which includes the effective date of such amendments.
- 8.3 <u>Assignment</u>: Except as otherwise expressed in this Agreement, the rights and duties of the Members may not be assigned or delegated without the advance written consent of all the other Members, and any attempt to assign or delegate such rights or duties in contravention of this section will be null and void. This Agreement inures to the benefit of, and is binding upon, the successors and assigns of the Members. This section does not prohibit a Member from entering into an independent agreement with another agency, person or entity regarding the funding or financing of that Member's contributions to the Authority, or the disposition of the proceeds which that Member receives under this Agreement, so long as

- the independent agreement does not affect or purport to affect, the rights and duties of the Authority or the Members under this Agreement.
- 8.4 <u>Severability</u>: If one or more clauses, sentences, paragraphs or provisions of this Agreement is be held to be unlawful, invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of the Agreement will not be affected. Such clauses, sentences, paragraphs or provisions will be deemed reformed so as to be lawful, valid, and enforced to the maximum extent possible.
- 8.5 Complete Agreement; Counterparts: This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the Members with respect to the subject matter of the Agreement. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts and upon execution by all Members, each executed counterpart will have the same force and effect as an original instrument and as if all Members had signed the same instrument. Any signature page of this Agreement may be detached from any counterpart of this Agreement without impairing the legal effect of any signatures thereon, and may be attached to another counterpart of this Agreement identical in form but have attached to it one or more signature pages. Facsimile and electronic signatures will be deemed valid and binding.
- Authority Members to be Served Notice: Any notice authorized to be given pursuant to this Agreement will be validly given if served in writing either personally, by facsimile, by deposit in the United States mail, first class postage prepaid with return receipt requested, or by a recognized courier service. Notices given (i) personally or by courier service will be conclusively deemed received at the time of delivery and receipt; (ii) by mail will be conclusively deemed given 48 hours after the deposit thereof if the sender returns the receipt; and (iii) by facsimile, upon receipt by sender of an acknowledgment or transmission report generated by the machine from which the facsimile was sent indicating that the facsimile was sent in its entirety and received at the recipient's facsimile number. All Notices will be sent to the addresses listed in Exhibit A to this Agreement.
- 8.7 <u>Dispute Resolution</u>: Any dispute between or among the Members arising out of this Agreement that cannot be resolved following written notice to the Member or Members of the basis of the dispute and the proposed resolution and a reasonable opportunity for such Member or Members to cure or remedy the dispute, will be submitted to mediation. The mediator will be selected by mutual agreement. If the matter cannot be resolved through mediation, or the Members cannot agree upon a mediator, then the matter will be submitted to arbitration in accordance with the provisions of the California Arbitration Act (California Code of Civil Procedure section 1280 and following).

THE UNDERSIGNED AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES of the Members have executed this Agreement as of the date shown below:

[Signatures on the following pages]

# **CITY OF FRESNO** By:\_\_\_\_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_\_ Name:\_\_\_\_\_ Title:\_\_\_\_\_ FRIANT WATER AUTHORITY Date:\_\_\_\_\_ By:\_\_\_\_\_ Name:\_\_\_\_\_ Title:\_\_\_\_\_ SAN JOAQUIN RIVER EXCHANGE **CONTRACTORS WATER AUTHORITY** By:\_\_\_\_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_\_ Name:\_\_\_\_ **SAN LUIS & DELTA MENDOTA** WATER AUTHORITY By:\_\_\_\_\_ Name:\_\_\_\_ Title:\_\_\_\_\_ **WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT** By:\_\_\_\_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_\_ Name:\_\_\_\_\_

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October 19, 2018



BY ELECTRONIC MAIL

Mr. Aaron Fakuda Chairman Temperance Flat Reservoir MOA Group Tulare Irrigation District 6826 Avenue 240 Tulare, California 93274

Dear Mr. Fakuda:

During its meeting on October 12, 2018, the San Joaquin Valley Water Infrastructure Authority's Board of Directors adopted the attached Resolution No. 2018-1. This resolution reflects the long-standing intent of our board to re-assign the SJVWIA's California Water Commission Water Storage Investment Program (WSIP) application and associated funding for the Temperance Flat Reservoir project to the water users driven joint powers authority that we understand is nearing its State registration.

I wish to make clear that this is merely an initial step, a reflection of the SJVWIA board's intent to reassign our Authority's Temperance Flat Reservoir project interests to this project's stakeholders and beneficiaries. This action is consistent with the SJVWIA's mission to help initiate Temperance Flat's development with regional support from the five counties and other local agencies within our membership. It is our expectation that the water agency stakeholders and beneficiaries will steer this project to a successful completion.

Our unanimously-adopted resolution establishes the SJVWIA's intent to transfer our WSIP application for State of California funding available through the Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014, or other similar State of California and federal statutes or programs.

In taking this action, it is the intent of SJVWIA to work closely with the Board of the new JPA based upon the following steps:

1. Official recognition and certification by the State of California and Secretary of State's office of the new joint powers agency.



- 2. One or more meetings will then be held by Board members on the SJVWIA's Transition Committee and Board members who are designated by the new JPA. All potential issues that the parties identify or may wish to consider are to be discussed and satisfactorily resolved and agreed upon.
- 3. Counsel for the SJVWIA will capture the agreed-upon intent of the parties' negotiators in the language to be contained in a formal and detailed transfer agreement.
- 4. The Boards of Directors of the SJVWIA and the new JPA will then each consider and take necessary action to adopt and execute the agreement.
- 5. Following signing of appropriate documents by the parties, the SJVWIA staff will immediately notify the California Water Commission, the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation and any and all other state, federal, regional and local agencies as necessary.

Despite all the challenges we've faced, SJVWIA member agencies and directors are delighted to have had the opportunity to provide the regional push necessary to launch the Temperance Flat project. The SJVWIA looks forward to continuing to work with all of you and plans to be an active participant on the new JPA's board. If you have any concerns or questions, please contact me to discuss them.

Sincerely,

Steve Worthley

President



# **RESOLUTION NO. 2018-1**

WHEREAS, the San Joaquin Valley Water Infrastructure Authority (SJVWIA) is comprised of representatives from Merced, Madera, Fresno, Kings and Tulare counties; the Cities of Avenal, Orange Cove and Fresno (on behalf of other cities and communities within these counties); the San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority; the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority; the Friant Water Authority; and the Region at Large; and

WHEREAS, the SJVWIA was established to advance regional collaboration in water infrastructure development in the San Joaquin Valley, including serving as the applicant for State of California funding available through the Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014, or other similar State of California and Federal statutes or programs; and

WHEREAS, the SJVWIA in collaboration with its member agencies applied for and received approval for funding from the California Water Commission and State of California Water Storage Investment Program (WSIP) for the proposed Temperance Flat Reservoir Project on the San Joaquin River to provide additional water supplies to a wide variety of potential water users, improve statewide water system operational flexibility, and produce numerous public benefits; and

WHEREAS, water agencies that are members of the SJVWIA advised the SJVWIA of their intention to initiate a JPA to assume full responsibility for the administration of the Temperance Flat Project; and

WHEREAS, subject to certain conditions, the SJVWIA Board of Directors has agreed to the transfer of said WSIP application and Temperance Flat Project to the Temperance Flat Project JPA ("JPA") that water agencies have initiated; and

WHEREAS, said conditions proposed by the SJVWIA include, agreement by the JPA to (A) allow membership by those water agencies that are represented on the SJVWIA at this time; (B) provide for one seat on the JPA to be filled by the Chairperson of the SJVWIA; (C) demonstrate that the principles being developed by the JPA to guide project implementation will appropriately protect the San Joaquin Valley as a first order responsibility; and (D) formalize the pathway for achieving the above conditions with the SJVWIA Chairman.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the San Joaquin Valley Water Infrastructure Authority does hereby declare its intent to enter into an agreement with the JPA for the transfer of the application status for Temperance Flat Project WSIP funding under jurisdiction of the California Water Commission in order to obtain 2017 Water Storage Investment Program funds pursuant to Title 23, Division 7, Chapter 1 of the California Code of Regulations; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that Chairman of the SJVWIA and JPA shall have the authority to furnish the final approval of any transfer of said WSIP application from the SJVWIA to the JPA.

**INTRODUCED, PASSED AND ADOPTED** at a Regular Meeting of the San Joaquin Valley Water Infrastructure Authority Board of Directors at Fresno, California, on October 12, 2018.

**Authorized Original Signature:** 

J. Steven Worthley

President

Clerk/Secretary:

Mario Santoyo

Executive Director



# **Water Storage Investment Program Quarterly Report Template**

The Quarterly Report is intended to document the applicant's progress toward complying with regulation section 6013 and receiving final WSIP funding, including any changes in the magnitude of public benefits that could affect cost allocation. Applicants must provide a summary level update of the project status for the requirements and milestones listed below. The template may be modified as necessary to effectively communicate information. If minimal activities occurred during a reporting period, the report can be condensed.

- Note any issues or concerns that have, will, or could affect milestones or requirements.
- Identify key issues, including legal issues such as lawsuits or injunctions related to the project, that need to be resolved.
- Discuss how the actual schedule is progressing in comparison to the schedule provided in the Initial Report or the last reported schedule.
- Update the project schedule as needed.
- Note any milestones or accomplishments that occurred since submittal of the prior Quarterly Report.

Project Name:	Temperance Flat Reservoir (TFR) Project				
Applicant Name:	San Joaquin Valley Water Infrastructure Authority (SJVWIA) in coordination with the Temperance Flat Reservoir MOU Group and the Temperance Flat Reservoir JPA				
Date:	October 30, 2018	Reporting Period:	August 14, 2017 - October 30, 2018		

# Please describe any key issues that occurred during this reporting period. You may attach additional documents or pages if more space is needed.

On August 14, 2017, the San Joaquin Valley Water Infrastructure Authority (SJVWIA) submitted an application the California Water Commission (CWC) under the Water Storage Investment Program (WSIP) for the Temperance Flat Reservoir (TFR) Project. The TFR Project application is based on the physical facilities identified by the US Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) in the Upper San Joaquin River Basin 2014 Draft Feasibility Report and 2015 Draft EIS and an operating plan developed by a Technical Steering Committee comprised of the Friant Water Authority (FWA), the San Joaquin River Exchange Contractor Water Authority (SJRECWA) and the San Luis Delta-Mendota Canal Water Authority (SLDMWA), all of which are SJVWIA members. As noted in the WSIP application, progress following application submittal would focus on defining funding commitments for non-public benefits, including the Federal government and public agency water entities that would invest in the TFR Project.

Considerable progress has been made in defining both Federal and non-Federal funding commitments. Reclamation is evaluating the operating plan included in the WSIP application as a new alternative in the Feasibility Report and has identified key implementation requirements and strategies. Concurrently, a group of water users established a process through a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to evaluate their interest in investing in the TFR Project. The 'MOU Group' is comprised of 25 Friant Division long-term contractors that hold 99 percent of Class 1 contracts and 100 percent of Class 2 contracts, the SJRECWA, the SLDMWA, and six CVP south-of-delta water service contractors in the San Joaquin Valley. Participants in this group have developed preliminary operating plans for the management of storage capacity in TFR they would obtain through their investment. The MOU Group is now evaluating the combined effect of individual operating plans to establish a project operating plan. These evaluations will support decisions by entities on their financial participation in the TFR Project.

In October 2018, the Temperance Flat Reservoir Joint Powers Authority (JPA) was formed. TFR JPA membership includes entities that will invest directly in the TFR Project. The TFR JPA was formed to promote, develop, design, permit, finance, acquire, construct, manage, maintain, and operate a dam and reservoir at Temperance Flat. The initial membership will establish the initial framework for the Temperance Flat Reservoir, and individual members will join the TFR JPA as they determine their level of storage needs and financial commitment. The SJVWIA is currently working with the TFR JPA to transfer the TFR Project WSIP Application to the TFR JPA, which is anticipated to take place in November 2018. This transfer will be supported with documentation that demonstrates the willingness of the SJVWIA and TFR JPA to transfer the application, demonstration of eligibility under WSIP requirements, and a resolution authorizing a TFR JPA representative to communicate with the CWC on behalf of the JPA.

Once the TFR Project WSIP application is transferred, the Temperance Flat Reservoir JPA will work closely with CWC staff and Reclamation to develop a detailed schedule for completion of critical items required for WSIP funding. Accordingly, the dates provided in the following table should be considered interim and subject to revision.

Prior to scheduling a hearing, the following items must be provided:						
Description	Status	Estimated Completion Date	Percent Complete %			
Contracts for non- public cost share	As described above, the Temperance Flat Reservoir JPA has been formed to provide the mechanism to provide the non-public cost share for the TFR Project. The JPA will secure funding from project investor beneficiaries and will coordinate with Reclamation to determine the potential for Federal funding in support of federally-recognized benefits. This process is in the early phase of development and is estimated to be about 5 percent complete. It is expected that the JPA will have funding commitments determined by mid-2021.	Mid 2021	5%			
Contracts for administration of public benefits	Contracts have yet to be provided and are subject to the transfer of the application authority to the TFR JPA.	TBD	0%			
Completed feasibility studies	Reclamation is currently completing the Final Feasibility Report for the Upper San Joaquin River Basin Storage Investigation. The Feasibility Report includes an alternative plan that is based on the operating plan developed for the WSIP application. Reclamation anticipates completion of the Final Feasibility Report by early 2019.	Early 2019	95%			
Final environmental documentation	alternative plan based on the operating plan developed for the WSIP application		90%  Undetermine pending requirement of Responsil Agency			
All required federal, state, and local approvals, certifications, and agreements	The Temperance Flat Reservoir JPA will be the lead agency in seeking all federal, state, and local approvals, along with all certifications and agreements. Work on these items will begin after the final transition of authority from the SJVWIA to the TFR JPA.	TBD	TBD			

#### **Funding Agreement**

Please provide an update, as applicable, on the following documents, which are needed to execute a funding agreement for the project:

- Applicant's audited financial statements
- Final project costs, schedule, and scope of work
- Evidence of bilateral communications
- Limited waiver of sovereign immunity (see regulations section 6013(f)(8))

Updates to information provided in the Initial Report or prior Quarterly Reports are only needed when a significant change has occurred. The Commission may request submittal of updated information prior to executing a funding agreement.

The Temperance Flat Reservoir JPA will execute the funding agreement for the project. Work on these items will begin after the final transition of authority from the SJVWIA to the TFR JPA.

### **Status Update**

Provide a status update for the following, as applicable:

- Labor Compliance
- Urban Water Management Plans
- · Agricultural Water Management Plans
- Groundwater Management or Groundwater Sustainability Plans
- Potential effect of other conditionally eligible project on the applicant's public benefits

Updates to information provided in the Initial Report or prior Quarterly Reports are only needed when a significant change has occurred. The Commission may request submittal of updated information prior to executing a funding agreement.

#### **Labor Compliance**

The Temperance Flat Reservoir JPA will evaluate labor compliance requirements after the final transition of authority from the SJVWIA to the TFR JPA.

#### **Urban Water Management Plans**

Three entities represented by the Applicant and partners are required to submit UWMPs (City of Tracy, City of Fresno, and Santa Clara Valley Water District). All were submitted prior to August 14, 2017.

#### **Agricultural Water Management Plans**

A total of 27 entities represented by the Applicant and partners are required to submit AWMPs. The following changes in the status of AWMPs have occurred since August 14, 2017:

- AGMPs for Byron Bethany Irrigation District and Lindmore Irrigation District, which were identified as 'In Progress' at the time of submittal of the WSIP application, have been submitted to DWR.
- The AGMP for Panoche Water District, which was identified as 'Verified by Reclamation' at the time of submittal of the WSIP
  application, has been reviewed by DWR.

#### **Groundwater Management or Groundwater Sustainability Plans**

The TFR Project WSIP Application identified 30 Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) within the area represented by the applicant member agencies and partners. The following status is based on information provided on the DWR SGMA Portal as of October 29, 2018

- Three GSAs provided Initial Notifications (INs) to DWR prior to August 14, 2018
- 22 GSAs submitted INs to DWR since August 14, 2017
- Five GSAs have not yet submitted !Ns.