

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-14

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
SAN BENITO COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
TO APPROVE A PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the SAN BENITO COUNTY WATER DISTRICT ("District") is vested with the power to do any and every lawful act necessary so that sufficient water may be available for any present or future beneficial use or uses on the lands or for the inhabitants within the District including the storage and distribution of water for domestic, fire protection and municipal uses; and

WHEREAS, the District is further vested with the power to acquire by grant or otherwise, and to hold, use and enjoy real and personal property of every kind including land, structures, and buildings, and to alter and operate any and all works or improvements necessary to carry out the purposes of the District; and

WHEREAS, Section 70-15 of California Water Code Appendix (District Act) authorizes the District to institute projects in a Zone of Benefit for the financing, construction, operation and maintenance of any work of improvement of common benefit to such Zone; and

WHEREAS, the District intends to initiate the West Hills Water Treatment Plant project within Zone 6 by commencing construction of the water treatment plant to serve properties within the Hollister Urban area; and

WHEREAS, on April 30, 2014, the District certified a Final Environmental Impact Report for the West Hills Water Treatment Plant Project. A Notice of Determination was filed with the San Benito County Clerk on May 1, 2014.

WHEREAS, the West Hills Water Treatment Plant project is a benefit to Zone 6 in that it uses the San Felipe imported water, improves water quality for customers in the Hollister Urban Area and helps meet the wastewater discharge requirements for the City of Hollister; and

WHEREAS, improving water quality delivered to urban users will reduce salts in treated wastewater allowing treated Title 22 wastewater to be reclaimed for agricultural irrigation; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors held a public hearing on May 27, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the District office, 30 Mansfield Road, Hollister, California, for the purpose of approving the construction of the treatment plant and related facilities and to begin the bid procurement process; and

WHEREAS, there were no written protests against the proposed project, signed by a majority in number of the electors in Zone 6. An “elector” for purposes of this paragraph shall mean any person who is qualified to vote in the State of California, is registered under the provisions of the California Elections Code in the precinct of the proposed zone and is a resident of the proposed zone as of the date of the aforementioned public hearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED: by the Board of Directors of the San Benito County Water District that construction of the West Hills Treatment Plant and related facilities is approved and District staff is authorized to proceed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President of the Board is authorized to sign said Resolution, on behalf of this Board and District.

The foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the San Benito County Water District held on May 27, 2015, by the following vote:

AYES:	DIRECTORS: Tonascia, Flores, Tobias, Bettencourt & Huenemann
NOES:	DIRECTORS: None
ABSENT:	DIRECTORS: None
ABSTAIN:	DIRECTORS: None

/s/ Joseph A. Tonascia
Joseph A. Tonascia
President

ATTEST:

/s/ Sara Singleton
Sara Singleton
Assistant Manager