



## **Merced Integrated Regional Water Management Merced Region Grant Proposal**

### *Attachment 1.1: Authorizing Documentation*



Attachment 1-1 consists of the following item:

- ✓ **Authorizing Documentation**

The Authorizing Documentation for Merced Irrigation District to submit the application and execute an agreement with the State of California for a 2015 IRWM Grant is attached in the following page.

**MERCED IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
RESOLUTION NO. 2015-26**

**MERCED INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN  
IMPLEMENTATION GRANT PREPARATION**

**WHEREAS**, the Merced Irrigation District (MID) is one of three agencies within the Merced Region enabled by law (SB 1672) to initiate an Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWMP); and

**WHEREAS**, the three agencies, the MID, Merced County, and the City of Merced undertook the preparation of an IRWMP for the Merced Region which was adopted by all agencies, as well as others in the region; and

**WHEREAS**, the three agencies and others are in the process of developing the governance body for the implementation and overseeing of the plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Merced Region is the hydrologic area that includes the entire Merced Groundwater Basin area in addition to the Merced River watershed north and contiguous to the Merced Groundwater Basin; and

**WHEREAS**, on or about February 19, 2013, Resolution No. 2013-03, the MID Board accepted the Merced Group nomination for MID to be the agency representing the region and authorized staff to enter into contract for facilitating the IRWM implementation grant for Round-2 of Prop. 84.

**WHEREAS**, MID represented the region for the expedited Prop 84, 2014 Drought funding, and is proposed to represent the region for this, IRWM Round 3, grant application as well, and

**WHEREAS**, the MID Board of Directors (the Board) recognizes and supports the multi-benefits of the Merced Integrated Regional Water Management Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board supports such projects for local and statewide resource benefits; and

**WHEREAS**, the Merced Region intends to submit a competitive implementation grant proposal for approximately **\$1,175,000** for projects sponsored or coordinated by MID; and

**WHEREAS**, the Merced Region will compete with a number of regions for a total of \$6,674,000 for this funding cycle; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board reaffirms its positions with respect to the IRWM planning processes and further finds it to be in the best interests of the District to continue to pursue grant funding for local projects associated with the IRWMP.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of Merced Irrigation District that pursuant and subject to all of the terms and provisions of the Grant Application and in accordance with the final DWR 2015 IRWM Program Guidelines and Proposal Solicitation Package, the General Manager

of the Merced Irrigation District, or his designee, is hereby authorized to prepare necessary documents to pursue an IRWM implementation grant on behalf of the Merced Region, is authorized to execute necessary agreements and documents with the California Department of Water Resources as well as the consulting firm of RMC Water and Environment, and to take such other actions that are necessary to prepare, submit, and manage funds for the implementation of the proposed projects if successful, and the Board authorizes and ratifies actions previously taken by staff in connection with applying for the grant funding considered herein.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 4<sup>th</sup> day of August 2015, by the Board of Directors of the Merced Irrigation District, by the following vote:

Ayes:	Directors:	Gonzalves, Koehn, Long, Marchini, Pimentel
Noes:	Directors:	None
Abstain:	Directors:	None
Absent:	Directors:	None

  
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David Long  
President  
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