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Is the applicant a local public agency as defined in CWC 10701 (a)? Please explain.

The Consolidated Irrigation District (CID) is a local public agency. The District was organized on September 8, 1921 under the California Irrigation District Law, Section 20500 *et seq.* of the California Water Code of the State of California. The District boundaries encompass over approximately 145,000 acres. The Consolidated Irrigation District satisfies the definition of ‘local agency’, which is described in the CWC 10701 (a) as any city, county, district, agency, or other political subdivision of the state for the local performance of governmental or proprietary functions within limited boundaries.

What is the statutory or other legal authority under which the applicant was formed and is authorized to operate?

CID was formed in 1921 under California Irrigation District Law, Section 20500 *et seq.* of the California Water Code (Division 11) of the State of California. Pursuant to California Water Code Sections 22075 *et seq.*, the District has the authority to protect and enhance the water resources available to it.

CID has the authority to manage the groundwater resources within its service area through California Water Code, Division 6, Part 2.75 (Sections 10750 *et seq.*). It is the primary agency responsible for its groundwater management plan, and it provides for management of the groundwater basin within its political boundary. The groundwater management plan is consistent with the provisions of California Water Code, Sections 10750 *et seq.*, as amended January 1, 2003.

Does the applicant have the legal authority to enter into a grant agreement with the State of California?

Yes. Water Code § 31048 provides as follows:

‘A district may cooperate, act in conjunction and contract with the State of California or any agency thereof, municipalities, public and private corporations of any kind, and persons with respect to the salvage, control, storage, spreading, distribution, treatment, purification, and recapture of any waters, including sewage and storm waters, and the construction of any works, the acquisition of any property, or the doing of any act with



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respect thereto, or for the protection of property, watersheds, water courses, and underground water supplies, and for the use, operation, management, or control of any public works or property.'

See also Water Code § 31049 which provides as follows:

'A district may make and perform any agreement with the State of California or any agency thereof, any public or private corporation of any kind, and any person, or any of them for the joint construction, acquisition, disposition or operation of any property or works of a kind which might be constructed, acquired, disposed of or operated by the district.'

The Consolidated Irrigation District has entered into grant agreements with the State of California in the past. In 2001, the District was awarded a grant from the DWR under the Local Groundwater Management Assistance Act of 2000 (AB 303) for monitoring well replacement. In 2007, the District was awarded a Water Use Efficiency (Proposition 50) grant for SCADA controls and monitoring equipment improvements. In 2010, the District was awarded a grant from the DWR under the Local Groundwater Assistance AB 303 Program (Proposition 84) for a groundwater recharge and banking feasibility study.

Describe any legal agreements among partner agencies and/or organizations that ensure performance of the project and tracking of funds.

Not applicable. CID is pursuing this grant independently, and therefore will have no project partners.