

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF FRESNO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RETROACTIVE SUBMISSION OF A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION TO THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO WATERWORKS DISTRICT 40 SHAVER SPRINGS THROUGH A GRANT SUBSIDY FUNDED BY THE SAFE AND AFFORDABLE DRINKING WATER FUND, AND DESIGNATING THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND PLANNING TO SIGN AND FILE THE APPLICATION AND OTHER REQUIRED INSTRUMENTS, INCLUDING THE FUNDING AGREEMENT, AND TO GIVE REQUIRED ASSURANCES, CERTIFICATIONS, AND COMMITMENTS.

WHEREAS, County of Fresno/Waterworks District 40 - Shaver Springs (WWD 40) has submitted an application to the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) on June 25, 2025 for funding for the Direct Operations & Maintenance (O&M) Funding Program to provide grant assistance from the Safe and Affordable Drinking Water (SADW) Fund to disadvantaged communities to offset water system operations and maintenance (O&M) costs for the purpose of maintaining affordable water rates; and

WHEREAS, O&M Funding application procedures require, among other things, an applicant's governing body to declare by resolution certain authorizations related to the administration of O&M Funding; and

WHEREAS, WWD 40 is eligible as a disadvantaged community, as defined by SADW Fund guidelines, based on median household income data; and

WHEREAS, the funding application will also provide funds for grant administration; and

WHEREAS, the grant-funded program will not result in any Net County Cost; and

WHEREAS, the SWRCB requires that the governing board of the entity entering into a funding agreement name an Authorized Representative or Representatives to sign and enter into a funding agreement, and any and all other instruments required to execute the agreement on behalf of the entity; and

WHEREAS, the SWRCB requires, as a condition of funding, the governing board of the entity entering into an agreement also name an Authorized Representative or Representatives designated to

1 provide assurances, certifications, and commitments required for the agreement, including executing a
2 funding agreement from the SWRCB and supporting documents.

3 NOW, THEREFORE, THE FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DOES HEREBY
4 FIND, DETERMINE AND RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

5 **Section 1.** The Director of the Department, or his or her designee, (Director) is hereby
6 retroactively authorized and directed to execute and file a Financial Assistance Application for WWD
7 40, and any and all other instruments required to complete the Financial Assistance Application, with
8 SWRCB for financing under the SADW program for the grant assistance to offset water system O&M
9 costs for the purpose of maintaining affordable water rates.

10 **Section 2.** The Director is hereby retroactively authorized to execute and provide the
11 assurances, certifications, and commitments required for the Financial Assistance Application, and the
12 Director shall be the Authorized Representative for all purposes of submitting the Financial Assistance
13 Application.

14 **Section 3.** The Director is hereby authorized and directed to sign a funding agreement and any
15 and all other instruments required to complete the agreement, with SWRCB for financing under the
16 SADW program for grant assistance to offset water system O&M costs for the purpose of maintaining
17 affordable water rates.

18 **Section 4.** The Director is hereby authorized to provide the assurances, certifications, and
19 commitments required for the funding agreement, and the Director shall be the Authorized
20 Representative for all purposes, subject to the limitations in section 3 of this resolution.

21 **Section 5.** The Director is hereby authorized, subject to the review and approval of County
22 Counsel as to legal form and the Auditor-Controller/Treasurer-Tax Collector as to accounting form, to
23 execute a funding agreement with the SWRCB, and any amendments that the Director deems
24 necessary for the consummation and continuing administration of the Shaver Springs Operations and
25 Maintenance (O&M) Assistance Project (as this funding arrangement shall be known), for grant funding,
26 negative balance relief funding, or both, to provide grant assistance to WWD 40.

27 **Section 6.** The Director of the Department, or his or her designee, is authorized and designated
28 to represent the County in carrying out the responsibilities under the financing agreement, including

1 certifying disbursement requests for WWD 40, and ensuring compliance with applicable state and
2 federal laws.

3 **Section 7.** This funding will not result in any Net County Cost and is anticipated to continue for
4 a period of two (2) years, subject to available program funding and approval by the State Water
5 Resources Control Board. Continuation beyond that period would be subject to approval by the State
6 Water Resources Control Board and may require an amendment to the funding agreement.

7 **Section 8.** The Board hereby finds, determines, and represents that all of the recitals in this
8 Resolution, and each of them, are true and correct.

9 THE FOREGOING, was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Board of Supervisors
10 of the County of Fresno this _____ day of _____, 2026, to wit:

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12 AYES:

13 NOES:

14 ABSENT:

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Garry Bredefeld, Chairman of the
Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno

ATTEST:
Bernice E. Seidel
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Fresno, State of California

BY _____
Deputy