A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF COACHELLA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT SUPPORTING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF IMPERIAL AND THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE CONCERNING UNIFIED SUPPORT ON THE SALTON SEA

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-41

WHEREAS, Salton Sea is of regional concern to Imperial and Coachella Valleys, of statewide concern to all of California and of national concern to the United States related to water in the west, the environment, public health, recreation, and the economy; and

WHEREAS, the Coachella Valley Water District is interested in working together with other stakeholders to identify and implement measures to stabilize and restore the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2018 the County of Imperial and the County of Riverside entered into a Memorandum of Understanding Concerning Unified Support on the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Coachella Valley Water District is a member agency of the Salton Sea Authority along with Imperial County, Riverside County, Imperial Irrigation District, and the Torrez Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians; and

WHEREAS, the Coachella Valley Water District passed Resolution No. 2015-33 describing the District's Policy regarding Objectives related to the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the June 26, 2018 Memorandum of Understanding between Imperial and Riverside Counties is consistent with Coachella Valley Water District Resolution 2015-33,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Coachella Valley Water District, assembled in regular meeting this 14th day of August, 2018, hereby formally support June 26, 2018 Memorandum of Understanding between the County of Imperial and the County of Riverside Concerning Unified Support on the Salton Sea and agree to collaborate with Salton Sea Authority member agencies, including Imperial and Riverside Counties, on a unified strategy to support common goals which would stabilize and restore the Salton Sea.

AYES: Powell, Nelson, O'Dowd, Bianco, Estrada NAYES: None ABSENT: None ATTEST: None

Sylvia M. Bermudez, CMC Clerk of the Board Coachella Valley Water District



IMPERIAL IRRIGATION DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. <u>16-2018</u>

SUPPORT FOR MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN IMPERIAL COUNTY AND RIVERSIDE COUNTY ON SALTON SEA

WHEREAS, Imperial Irrigation District remains an advocate of a smaller but sustainable Salton Sea and, with its partners, has taken actions to ensure the state funds and implements a viable Salton Sea restoration plan; and

WHEREAS, in response to Imperial Irrigation District's petition related to the Salton Sea, the State Water Resources Control Board adopted Revised Order WRO 2002-0013 in November 2017; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of Revised Order WRO 2002-0013 outlines the Water Board's role and continued jurisdiction in ensuring progress toward the goals of the state's Salton Sea management plan, including annual milestones and a framework for habitat restoration and mitigation projects; and

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2018, Imperial County and Riverside County entered into a memorandum of understanding that represents mutual good faith commitments and common goals made in the spirit of cooperation and collaboration to benefit the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the counties to take coordinated and cooperative action with other local agencies to further stabilize the Salton Sea in such restoration efforts and projects to protect and improve public health, air quality and wildlife habitat; and

WHEREAS, the counties recognize the value of collaborating with other local agencies to seek opportunities for development of geothermal energy and other renewable resources in and around the Salton Sea to help the state meet its renewable energy and greenhouse gas reduction goals; and

WHEREAS, the counties will further develop concepts associated with a Salton Sea Perimeter Lake and provide that information to other local agencies as it becomes available; and

WHEREAS, Imperial Irrigation District, as a member of the Salton Sea Authority, urges the counties to continue working closely with the authority to enhance collective efforts and strategy; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Imperial Irrigation District Board of Directors agrees to collaborate with local agency partners, including Imperial County and Riverside County, on a unified strategy in support of shared goals and priorities for the Salton Sea.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 28th day of August 2018.



IMPERIAL IRRIGATION DISTRICT

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Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians Tribal Council RESOLUTION #<u>TC012319B</u>

A RESOLUTION OF THE TWENTY-NINE PALMS BAND OF MISSION INDIANS IN SUPPORT OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF IMPERIAL AND THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE ON THE SALTON SEA

WHEREAS, the Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians (Tribe) is a federally recognized Indian Tribe possessing sovereign powers over its Reservation lands; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has a permanent home at the Twenty-Nine Palms Indian Reservation, located on two parcels in San Bernardino and Riverside counties in California, lands set apart by Executive Order of December 27, 1875; and

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2018, the County of Imperial, a political subdivision of the State of California, and the County of Riverside, a political subdivision of the State of California (Counties) entered into a Memorandum of Understanding representing a mutual good faith commitment and common goals made in the spirit of cooperation and collaboration to benefit the Salton Sea.

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the County of Imperial and the County of Riverside to work together with other local agencies in a collaborative manner and support common goals to further Salton Sea restoration and management efforts as well as the development potential of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Counties encourage outreach to the surrounding communities and seek supportive resolutions from all cities and other agencies. The Parties welcome cities other agencies to join and assist them in efforts that are supportive of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the inflow of water to the Salton Sea has decreased and pursuant to the Quantification Settlement Agreement, mitigation water inflows ended on December 31, 2017, and without restoration or stabilization measures, the Salton Sea will rapidly decline; and

WHEREAS, the State of California ("State") has developed the Salton Sea Management Program ("SSMP) through departments within the California Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Agencies and is obligated to pay for certain costs related to habitat, air and water quality issues at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the state has developed the 10-year SSMP plan and identified a phased series of projects, the state has not appropriated all the necessary SSMP funding. The Salton Sea is at substantial risk of irreversible damage and threatens wildlife and public health; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Counties to take coordinated and cooperative action with other agencies to further stabilize the Salton Sea on such restoration efforts which would protect and improve public health, air quality, and wildlife habitat; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of both Counties to work together with local agencies on agreed projects and financing mechanisms such as an Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District ("EIFD") that would support projects and stimulate economic development around the Sea; and

WHEREAS, both Counties recognize and support the immense value of working together with other local agencies to enhance opportunities for renewable energy and geothermal development to the region by providing reliable, affordable energy in furtherance of the State's Renewable Portfolio Standard and Greenhouse Gas Reduction goals and could provide funding for Salton Sea infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the benefits of said integrated projects would include economic development, recreational activity, and reduction in air quality impacts as well as optimize the potential opportunities at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, California law requires the California Natural Resources Agency to develop a Salton Sea plan in cooperation and consultation with local agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe supports the common goal of a locally managed and more efficient process to expedite projects at the Salton Sea to avert a further decline at the Salton Sea.

WHEREAS, the Tribe is in support of the North Lake vision which would complement the state's SSMP plan by providing an in-sea barrier around the contours of the north shoreline with a deep lake and respectfully request the state's support and recognition in the SSMP as an important integrated project; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe is supportive of the Perimeter Lake concept which would also include a South Lake component and resemble a flowing river with a system of low-profile levees bordering the Salton Sea shoreline. The Parties respectfully request to have the Perimeter Lake incorporated into the state's SSMP long-term plan; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Tribe to improve the public health, economic opportunity and overall quality of life for Tribal Members in perpetuity; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribe hereby adopts this Resolution and agrees to a collaborative partnership and a unified strategy to support common goals which would stabilize and restore the Salton Sea.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Resolution was adopted at a duly held meeting of the Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians Tribal Council on the 23^{cd} day of 3anuary, 2019 with a quorum present and by a vote of 16 in favor, 16 opposed, with 16 abstaining.

Darrell Mike, Tribal Chairman

Michelle Mike, Tribal Secretary

Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians Tribal Council



JEFF L. GRUBBE CHAIRMAN • LARRY N. OLINGER VICE CHAIRMAN • VINCENT GONZALES III SECRETARY/TREASURER REID D. MILANOVICH MEMBER • ANTHONY W. PURNEL MEMBER

December 18, 2018

Thomas Tortez, Jr. Board President Salton Sea Authority 82995 Highway 111, Suite 200 Indio, CA 92201

RE: Support for the partnership between Imperial County and Riverside County on the Salton Sea

Dear Board President Tortez:

The Tribe wishes to express its support for the partnership between Imperial and Riverside Counties promoting joint planning efforts to revitalize the Salton Sea. The Salton Sea impacts the economic well-being of both counties and such a partnership is an acknowledgement that a well-coordinated management effort will be needed to avoid irreversible damage to public health while stimulating economic development around the Sea. A unified strategy to support common goals that are locally managed is the most efficient way to restore the Salton Sea and preserve our quality of life here in the Coachella Valley.

If you have any questions please contact me at (760) 699-6800.

Very truly yours,

Jeff L. Grubbe Chairman, Tribal Council AGUA CALIENTE BAND OF CAHUILLA INDIANS

TC-115699-12-18 C: Tom Davis, Chief Planning & Development Officer



January 22, 2019

Hon. Thomas Tortez Board President Salton Sea Authority 82-995 Hwy. 11, Suite 200 Indio, CA 92201

Dear President Tortez,

On behalf of The Cabazon Band of Mission Indians we would like to express our support for the Memorandum of Understanding between the County of Imperial and the County of Riverside on behalf of the Salton Sea. We believe that the Salton Sea's long term issues can on be solved by working collaboratively.

The Cabazon Tribe has been a longtime supporter of Salton Sea efforts on such restoration efforts which would protect and improve public health, air quality, wildlife habitat, as well as the development potential of the Sea. We support and endorse the Counties' commitment to work together alongside the Salton Sea Authority and its partners in promoting these efforts that will not only benefit the Environment and Habitat but also the quality of life for the residents and visitors to the Sea.

Once again on behalf of the Cabazon Band of Mission Indians we add our name to those who support the MOU between the Counties on the Salton Sea and stand ready to work cooperatively to restore the Sea to its rightful place in the environmental ecosystem.

Sincerely,

Doug Welmas, Tribal Chair Cabazon Band of Mission Indians

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RESOLUTION NO. 2018-56

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CATHEDRAL CITY, CALIFORNIA, IN SUPPORT OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF IMPERIAL AND THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE ON THE SALTON SEA.

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2018, the County of Imperial, a political subdivision of the State of California, and the County of Riverside, a political subdivision of the State of California (Counties) entered into a Memorandum of Understanding representing a mutual good faith commitment and common goals made in the spirit of cooperation and collaboration to benefit the Salton Sea.

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the County of Imperial and the County of Riverside to work together with other local agencies in a collaborative manner and support common goals to further Salton Sea restoration and management efforts as well as the development potential of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Counties encourage outreach to the surrounding communities and seek supportive resolutions from all cities and other agencies. The parties welcome cities and other agencies to join and assist them in efforts that are supportive of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the inflow of water to the Salton Sea has decreased and pursuant to the Quantification Settlement Agreement, mitigation water inflows ended on December 31, 2017, and without restoration or stabilization measures, the Salton Sea will rapidly decline; and

WHEREAS, the State of California ("State") has developed the Salton Sea Management Program ("SSMP) through departments within the California Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Agencies and is obligated to pay for certain costs related to habitat, air and water quality issues at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the State has developed the 10-year SSMP plan and identified a phased series of projects, the state has not appropriated all the necessary SSMP funding. The Salton Sea is at substantial risk of irreversible damage and threatens wildlife and public health; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Counties to take coordinated and cooperative action with other agencies to further stabilize the Salton Sea on such restoration efforts which would protect and improve public health, air quality, and wildlife habitat; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of both Counties to work together with local agencies on agreed projects and financing mechanisms such as an Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District ("EIFD") that would support projects and stimulate economic development around the Sea; and

WHEREAS, both Counties recognize and support the immense value of working together with other local agencies to enhance opportunities for renewable energy and geothermal development to the region by providing reliable, affordable energy in furtherance of the State's Renewable Portfolio Standard and Greenhouse Gas Reduction goals and could provide funding for Salton Sea infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the benefits of said integrated projects would include economic development, recreational activity, and reduction in air quality impacts as well as optimize the potential opportunities at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, California law requires the California Natural Resources Agency to develop a Salton Sea plan in cooperation and consultation with local agencies; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cathedral City supports the common goal of a locally managed and more efficient process to expedite projects at the Salton Sea to avert a further decline at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cathedral City is in support of the North Lake vision which would complement the state's SSMP plan by providing an in-sea barrier around the contours of the north shoreline with a deep lake and respectfully request the state's support and recognition in the SSMP as an important integrated project; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cathedral City is supportive of the Perimeter Lake concept which would also include a South Lake component and resemble a flowing river with a system of low-profile levees bordering the Salton Sea shoreline. The Parties respectfully request to have the Perimeter Lake incorporated into the state's SSMP long-term plan; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Cathedral City hereby adopts this Resolution and agrees to the collaborative partnership and a unified strategy between the County of Riverside and the County of Imperial to support common goal of stabilizing and restoring the Salton Sea.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Cathedral City held on this 12th day of December, 2018, by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Gutierrez, Gregory and Aguilar; Mayor Pro Tem Carnevale and Mayor Pettis

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

Gregory S. Fettis, Mayor

ATTEST:

<u>Incertinez</u>, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Eric S. Vail, City Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-45

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRAWLEY, CALIFORNIA IN SUPPORT OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF IMPERIAL AND THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE ON THE SALTON SEA.

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2018, the County of Imperial, a political subdivision of the State of California, and the County of Riverside, a political subdivision of the State of California (Counties) entered into a Memorandum of Understanding representing a mutual good faith commitment and common goals made in the spirit of cooperation and collaboration to benefit the Salton Sea.

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the County of Imperial and the County of Riverside to work together with other local agencies in a collaborative manner and support common goals to further Salton Sea restoration and management efforts as well as the development potential of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Counties encourage outreach to the surrounding communities and seek supportive resolutions from all cities and other agencies. The Parties welcome cities other agencies to join and assist them in efforts that are supportive of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the inflow of water to the Salton Sea has decreased and pursuant to the Quantification Settlement Agreement, mitigation water inflows ended on December 31, 2017, and without restoration or stabilization measures, the Salton Sea will rapidly decline; and

WHEREAS, the State of California ("State") has developed the Salton Sea Management Program ("SSMP) through departments within the California Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Agencies and is obligated to pay for certain costs related to habitat, air and water quality issues at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the state has developed the 10-year SSMP plan and identified a phased series of projects, the state has not appropriated all the necessary SSMP funding. The Salton Sea is at substantial risk of irreversible damage and threatens wildlife and public health; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Counties to take coordinated and cooperative action with other agencies to further stabilize the Salton Sea on such restoration efforts which would protect and improve public health, air quality, and wildlife habitat; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of both Counties to work together with local agencies on agreed projects and financing mechanisms such as an Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District ("EIFD") that would support projects and stimulate economic development around the Sea; and

WHEREAS, both Counties recognize and support the immense value of working together with other local agencies to enhance opportunities for renewable energy and geothermal development to the region by providing reliable, affordable energy in furtherance of the State's Renewable Portfolio Standard and Greenhouse Gas Reduction goals and could provide funding for Salton Sea infrastructure; and WHEREAS, the benefits of said integrated projects would include economic development, recreational activity, and reduction in air quality impacts as well as optimize the potential opportunities at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, California law requires the California Natural Resources Agency to develop a Salton Sea plan in cooperation and consultation with local agencies; and

WHEREAS, the City of Brawley supports the common goal of a locally managed and more efficient process to expedite projects at the Salton Sea to avert a further decline at the Salton Sea.

WHEREAS, the City of Brawley is in support of the North Lake vision which would complement the state's SSMP plan by providing an in-sea barrier around the contours of the north shoreline with a deep lake and respectfully request the state's support and recognition in the SSMP as an important integrated project; and

WHEREAS, the City of Brawley is supportive of the Perimeter Lake concept which would also include a South Lake component and resemble a flowing river with a system of low profile levees bordering the Salton Sea shoreline. The Parties respectfully request to have the Perimeter Lake incorporated into the state's SSMP long-term plan; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City of Brawley to improve the public health, economic opportunity and overall quality of life of the disadvantaged communities around the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City of Brawley to support publicprivate partnerships and will assist private entities to define and develop projects around the Salton Sea; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Brawley hereby adopts this Resolution and agrees to a collaborative partnership and a unified strategy to support common goals which would stabilize and restore the Salton Sea.

APPROVED, PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting held on the 17th day of July, 2018.

CITY OF BRAWLEY, CALIFORNIA

On A.N.

George A. Nava, Mayor

ATTEST: ЪС

Alma Benavides, City Clerk

STATE OF CALIFORNIA) COUNTY OF IMPERIAL) CITY OF BRAWLEY)

I, Alma Benavides, City Clerk of the City of Brawley, California, DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that the foregoing Resolution No. 2018-45 as passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Brawley, California, at a regular meeting held on the 17th day of July, 2018 and that it was so adopted by the following roll call vote: Nava/Kastner-Jauregui 4-1 Couchman absent

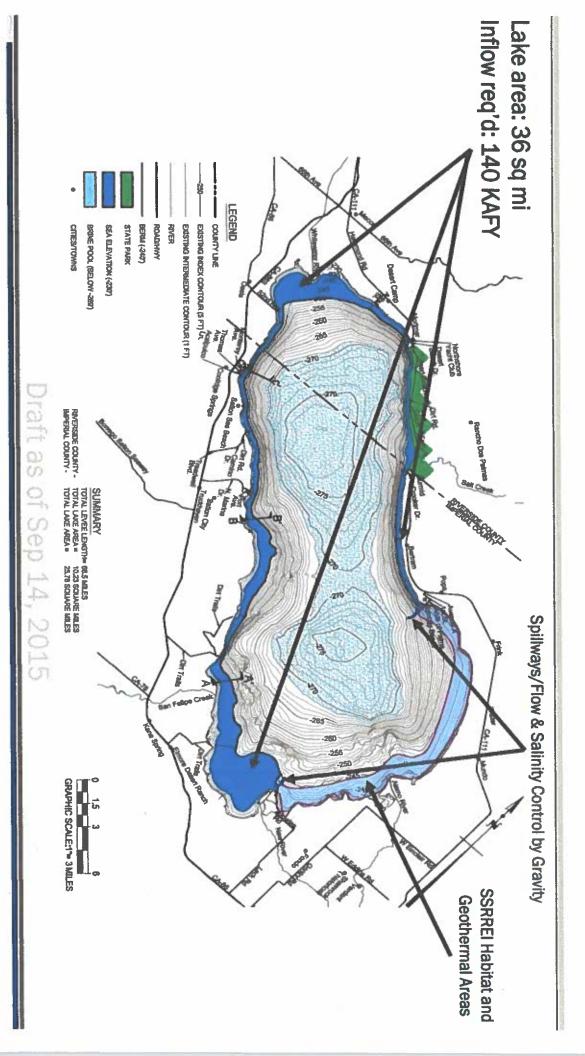
Hamby, Kastner-Jauregui, Nava, Wharton

NAYES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: Couchman

Alma Benavides, City Clerk

Dated: July 17, 2018

AYES:



PERIMETER LAKE CONCEPT SALTON SEA

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-51

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALEXICO, CALIFORNIA IN SUPPORT OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF IMPERIAL AND THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE ON THE SALTON SEA.

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2018, the County of Imperial, a political subdivision of the State of California, and the County of Riverside, a political subdivision of the State of California (Counties) entered into a Memorandum of Understanding representing a mutual good faith commitment and common goals made in the spirit of cooperation and collaboration to benefit the Salton Sea.

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the County of Imperial and the County of Riverside to work together with other local agencies in a collaborative manner and support common goals to further Salton Sea restoration and management efforts as well as the development potential of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Counties encourage outreach to the surrounding communities and seek supportive resolutions from all cities and other agencies. The Parties welcome cities other agencies to join and assist them in efforts that are supportive of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the inflow of water to the Salton Sea has decreased and pursuant to the Quantification Settlement Agreement, mitigation water inflows ended on December 31, 2017, and without restoration or stabilization measures, the Salton Sea will rapidly decline; and

WHEREAS, the State of California ("State") has developed the Salton Sea Management Program ("SSMP) through departments within the California Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Agencies and is obligated to pay for certain costs related to habitat, air and water quality issues at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the state has developed the 10-year SSMP plan and identified a phased series of projects, the state has not appropriated all the necessary SSMP funding. The Salton Sea is at substantial risk of irreversible damage and threatens wildlife and public health; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Counties to take coordinated and cooperative action with other agencies to further stabilize the Salton Sea on such restoration efforts which would protect and improve public health, air quality, and wildlife habitat; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of both Counties to work together with local agencies on agreed projects and financing mechanisms such as an Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District ("EIFD") that would support projects and stimulate economic development around the Sea; and

WHEREAS, both Counties recognize and support the immense value of working together with other local agencies to enhance opportunities for renewable energy and geothermal development to the region by providing reliable, affordable energy in furtherance of the State's Renewable Portfolio Standard and Greenhouse Gas Reduction goals and could provide funding for Salton Sea infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the benefits of said integrated projects would include economic development, recreational activity, and reduction in air quality impacts as well as optimize the potential opportunities at the Salton Sea; and

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WHEREAS, California law requires the California Natural Resources Agency to develop a Salton Sea plan in cooperation and consultation with local agencies; and

WHEREAS, the (Name of Agency) supports the common goal of a locally managed and more efficient process to expedite projects at the Salton Sea to avert a further decline at the Salton Sea.

WHEREAS, the (Name of Agency) is in support of the North Lake vision which would complement the state's SSMP plan by providing an in-sea barrier around the contours of the north shoreline with a deep lake and respectfully request the state's support and recognition in the SSMP as an important integrated project; and

WHEREAS, the (Name of Agency) is supportive of the Perimeter Lake concept which would also include a South Lake component and resemble a flowing river with a system of low profile levees bordering the Salton Sea shoreline. The Parties respectfully request to have the Perimeter Lake incorporated into the state's SSMP long-term plan; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the (Name of Agency) to improve the public health, economic opportunity and overall quality of life of the disadvantaged communities around the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the (Name of Agency) to support public-private partnerships and will assist private entities to define and develop projects around the Salton Sea; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the (Name of Agency) hereby adopts this Resolution and agrees to a collaborative partnership and a unified strategy to support common goals which would stabilize and restore the Salton Sea.

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Lewis Pacheco, Mayor

ATTEST:

Barcia, Deputy City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Carlos Campos, City Attorney

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State of California)City of Calexico) ss.County of Imperial)

I, Gabriela T. Garcia, Deputy City Clerk of the City of Calexico do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 2018-51 was duly adopted by the Calexico City Council at a regular meeting thereof held on the 1st day of August 2018, by the following vote:

AYES:Hurtado, Pacheco, Escobar, HodgeNOES:NoneABSENT:RealABSTAIN:None

Gabrielà Sarcia, Deputy City Clerk

RESOLUTION 18-29

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CALIPATRIA IN SUPPORT OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF IMPERIAL AND THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE ON THE SALTON SEA

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2018, the County of Imperial, a political subdivision of the State of California, and the County of Riverside, a political subdivision of the State of California (Counties) entered into a Memorandum of Understanding representing a mutual good faith commitment and common goals made in the spirit of cooperation and collaboration to benefit the Salton Sea.

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the County of Imperial and the County of Riverside to work together with other local agencies in a collaborative manner and support common goals to further Salton Sea restoration and management efforts as well as the development potential of the Salton Sea; *and*

WHEREAS, the Counties encourage outreach to the surrounding communities and seek supportive resolutions from all cities and other agencies. The Parties welcome cities and other agencies to join and assist them in efforts that are supportive of the Salton Sea; *and*

WHEREAS, the inflow of water to the Salton Sea has decreased and pursuant to the Quantification Settlement Agreement, mitigation water inflows ended on December 31, 2017, and without restoration or stabilization measures, the Salton Sea will rapidly decline; *and*

WHEREAS, the State of California ("State") has developed the Salton Sea Management Program ("SSMP) through departments within the California Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Agencies and is obligated to pay for certain costs related to habitat, air and water quality issues at the Salton Sea; *and*

WHEREAS, the state has developed the 10-year SSMP plan and identified a phased series of projects, the state has not appropriated all the necessary SSMP funding. The Salton Sea is at substantial risk of irreversible damage and threatens wildlife and public health; *and*

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Counties to take coordinated and cooperative action with other agencies to further stabilize the Salton Sea on such restoration efforts which would protect and improve public health, air quality, and wildlife habitat; *and*

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of both Counties to work together with local agencies on agreed projects and financing mechanisms such as an Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District ("EIFD") that would support projects and stimulate economic development around the Sea; and

WHEREAS, both Counties recognize and support the immense value of working together with other local agencies to enhance opportunities for renewable energy and geothermal development to the region by providing reliable, affordable energy in furtherance of the State's Renewable Portfolio Standard and Greenhouse Gas Reduction goals and could provide funding for Salton Sea infrastructure; *and*

WHEREAS, the benefits of said integrated projects would include economic development, recreational activity, and reduction in air quality impacts as well as optimize the potential opportunities at the Salton Sea; *and*

WHEREAS, California law requires the California Natural Resources Agency to develop a Salton Sea plan in cooperation and consultation with local agencies; *and*

WHEREAS, the City of Calipatria supports the common goal of a locally managed and more efficient process to expedite projects at the Salton Sea to avert a further decline at the Salton Sea.

WHEREAS, the City of Calipatria is in support of the North Lake vision which would complement the state's SSMP plan by providing an in-sea barrier around the contours of the north shoreline with a deep lake and respectfully request the state's support and recognition in the SSMP as an important integrated project; *and*

WHEREAS, the City of Calipatria is supportive of the Perimeter Lake concept which would also include a South Lake component and resemble a flowing river with a system of low profile levees bordering the Salton Sea shoreline. The Parties respectfully request to have the Perimeter Lake incorporated into the state's SSMP long-term plan; *and*

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City of Calipatria to improve the public health, economic opportunity and overall quality of life of the disadvantaged communities around the Salton Sea; *and*

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City of Calipatria to support public-private partnerships and will assist *private* entities to define and develop projects around the Salton Sea; *and*

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Calipatria hereby adopts this Resolution and agrees to a collaborative partnership and a unified strategy to support common goals which would stabilize and restore the Salton Sea.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the city council of the City of Calipatria on this 24th day of July, 2018 by the following vote:

AYES: Spellins, N-Froelich, Beltran F, Flores NAYES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

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Fidel Flores, Mayor

ATTEST:

I, Catherine Hoff, City Clerk of the City of Calipatria, hereby certify the above and foregoing to be a full, true and correct Resolution 18-29 adopted by said city council on this 24th day of July 2018.

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Catherine Hoff, City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-80

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COACHELLA IN SUPPORT OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF IMPERIAL AND THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE ON THE SALTON SEA

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2018, the County of Imperial, a political subdivision of the State of California, and the County of Riverside, a political subdivision of the State of California (Counties) entered into a Memorandum of Understanding representing a mutual good faith commitment and common goals made in the spirit of cooperation and collaboration to benefit the Salton Sea; and

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development to the region by providing reliable, affordable energy in furtherance of the State's Renewable Portfolio Standard and Greenhouse Gas Reduction goals and could provide funding for Salton Sea infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the benefits of said integrated projects would include economic development, recreational activity, and reduction in air quality impacts as well as optimize the potential opportunities at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, California law requires the California Natural Resources Agency to develop a Salton Sea plan in cooperation and consultation with local agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority supports the common goal of a locally managed and more efficient process to expedite projects at the Salton Sea to avert a further decline at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority is in support of the North Lake vision which would complement the state's SSMP plan by providing an in-sea barrier around the contours of the north shoreline with a deep lake and respectfully request the state's support and recognition in the SSMP as an important integrated project; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority is supportive of the Perimeter Lake concept which would also include a South Lake component and resemble a flowing river with a system of low-profile levees bordering the Salton Sea shoreline. The Parties respectfully request to have the Perimeter Lake incorporated into the state's SSMP long-term plan; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Salton Sea Authority to improve the public health, economic opportunity and overall quality of life of the disadvantaged communities around the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Salton Sea Authority to support public-private partnerships and will assist private entities to define and develop projects around the Salton Sea; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Coachella hereby adopts this Resolution 20018-80 in support of the Memorandum of Understanding between Riverside County and Imperial County which agrees to a collaborative partnership and a unified strategy to support common goals which would stabilize and restore the Salton Sea.

PASSED, APPROVED and **ADOPTED** this 12th day of December, 2018.

Steven A. Hernandez Mayor

ATTEST:

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Angela M. Zepeda City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Carlos Campos City Attorney STATE OF CALIFORNIA)COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE) ss.CITY OF COACHELLA)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution No. 2018-80 was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Coachella at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 12th day of December, 2018 by the following vote of Council:

- AYES: Councilmember Bautista, Councilmember Beaman Jacinto, Councilmember Gonzalez, Mayor Pro Tem Martinez, and Mayor Hernandez.
- NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

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Andrea J. Carranza, MMC Deputy City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-003

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS IN SUPPORT OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF IMPERIAL AND THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE ON THE SALTON SEA

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2018, the County of Imperial, a political subdivision of the State of California, and the County of Riverside, a political subdivision of the State of California (Counties) entered into a Memorandum of Understanding representing a mutual good faith commitment and common goals made in the spirit of cooperation and collaboration to benefit the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the County of Imperial and the County of Riverside to work together with other local agencies in a collaborative manner and support common goals to further Salton Sea restoration and management efforts as well as the development potential of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Counties encourage outreach to the surrounding communities and seek supportive resolutions from all cities and other agencies. The Parties welcome cities other agencies to join and assist them in efforts that are supportive of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the inflow of water to the Salton Sea has decreased and pursuant to the Quantification Settlement Agreement, mitigation water inflows ended on December 31, 2017, and without restoration or stabilization measures, the Salton Sea will rapidly decline; and

WHEREAS, the State of California ("State") has developed the Salton Sea Management Program ("SSMP) through departments within the California Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Agencies and is obligated to pay for certain costs related to habitat, air and water quality issues at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the state has developed the 10-year SSMP plan and identified a phased series of projects, the state has not appropriated all the necessary SSMP funding. The Salton Sea is at substantial risk of irreversible damage and threatens wildlife and public health; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Counties to take coordinated and cooperative action with other agencies to further stabilize the Salton Sea on such restoration efforts which would protect and improve public health, air quality, and wildlife habitat; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of both Counties to work together with local agencies on agreed projects and financing mechanisms such as an Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District ("EIFD") that would support projects and stimulate economic development around the Sea; and

WHEREAS, both Counties recognize and support the immense value of working together with other local agencies to enhance opportunities for renewable energy and geothermal development to the region by providing reliable, affordable energy in furtherance of the State's Renewable Portfolio Standard and Greenhouse Gas Reduction goals and could provide funding for Salton Sea infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the benefits of said integrated projects would include economic development, recreational activity, and reduction in air quality impacts as well as optimize the potential opportunities at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, California law requires the California Natural Resources Agency to develop a Salton Sea plan in cooperation and consultation with local agencies; and WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority supports the common goal of a locally managed and more efficient process to expedite projects at the Salton Sea to avert a further decline at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority is in support of the North Lake vision which would complement the state's SSMP plan by providing an in-sea barrier around the contours of the north shoreline with a deep lake and respectfully request the state's support and recognition in the SSMP as an important integrated project; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority is supportive of the Perimeter Lake concept which would also include a South Lake component and resemble a flowing river with a system of lowprofile levees bordering the Salton Sea shoreline. The Parties respectfully request to have the Perimeter Lake incorporated into the state's SSMP long-term plan; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Salton Sea Authority to improve the public health, economic opportunity and overall quality of life of the disadvantaged communities around the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Salton Sea Authority to support public-private partnerships and will assist private entities to define and develop projects around the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the City of Desert Hot Springs received public input to encourage the Parties to consider support of comprehensive analysis of Ocean Water Importation as a long-term solution for the restoration of the Salton Sea and respectfully request that Ocean Water Importation be incorporated into the State's SSMP long-term plan; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Desert Hot Springs hereby adopts this Resolution in support of the Memorandum of Understanding between Riverside County and Imperial County which agrees to a collaborative partnership and a unified strategy to support common goals which would stabilize and restore the Salton Sea.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Desert Hot Springs on the 15th day of January, 2019, by the following vote:

AYES: 5 – Betts; Gardner; Pye; Zavala; and Mayor Matas.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

[SIGNATURES FOLLOW ON THE NEXT PAGE]

ATTEST:

Jerryl Soriano, CMC, City Clerk

APPROVED:

Scott Matas, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Jennifer A. Mizrahi, City Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. 18-71

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CENTRO IN SUPPORT OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF IMPERIAL AND THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE ON THE SALTON SEA

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2018, the County of Imperial, a political subdivision of the State of California, and the County of Riverside, a political subdivision of the State of California (Counties) entered into a Memorandum of Understanding representing a mutual good faith commitment and common goals made in the spirit of cooperation and collaboration to benefit the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the County of Imperial and the County of Riverside to work together with other local agencies in a collaborative manner and support common goals to further Salton Sea restoration and management efforts as well as the development potential of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Counties encourage outreach to the surrounding communities and seek supportive resolutions from all cities and other agencies. The Parties welcome cities and other agencies to join and assist them in efforts that are supportive of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the inflow of water to the Salton Sea has decreased and pursuant to the Quantification Settlement Agreement, mitigation water inflows ended on December 31, 2017, and without restoration or stabilization measures, the Salton Sea will rapidly decline; and

WHEREAS, the State of California ("State") has developed the Salton Sea Management Program ("SSMP") through departments within the California Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Agencies and is obligated to pay for certain costs related to habitat, air and water quality issues at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, although the state has developed the 10-year SSMP plan and identified a phased series of projects, the state has not appropriated all the necessary SSMP funding leaving the Salton Sea at substantial risk of irreversible damage that threatens wildlife and public health; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Counties to take coordinated and cooperative action with other agencies to further stabilize the Salton Sea on such restoration efforts which would protect and improve public health, air quality, and wildlife habitat; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of both Counties to work together with local agencies on agreed projects and financing mechanisms such as an Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District ("EIFD") that would support projects and stimulate economic development around the Sea; and

WHEREAS, both Counties recognize and support the immense value of working together with other local agencies to enhance opportunities for renewable energy and geothermal development to the region by providing reliable, affordable energy in furtherance of the State's Renewable Portfolio Standard and Greenhouse Gas Reduction goals and could provide funding for Salton Sea infrastructure: and

WHEREAS, the benefits of said integrated projects would include economic development, recreational activity, and reduction in air quality impacts as well as optimize the potential opportunities at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, California law requires the California Natural Resources Agency to develop a Salton Sea plan in cooperation and consultation with local agencies; and

WHEREAS, the City of El Centro supports the common goal of a locally managed and more efficient process to expedite projects at the Salton Sea to avert a further decline at the Salton Sea: and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City of El Centro to support the efforts to improve the public health, economic opportunity and overall quality of life of the disadvantaged communities around the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City of El Centro to support public-private partnerships that will assist private entities to define and develop projects around the Salton Sea.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of El Centro hereby adopts this Resolution and agrees to a collaborative partnership and a unified strategy to support common goals, which would stabilize and restore the Salton Sea.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of El Centro, California held on the 7th day of Aug., 2018.

CITY OF EL CENTRO

By Cheryl Viegas-Walker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Diane Caldwell. City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM: Office of the City Attorney

By <u>Elizabeth L. Martyn</u>, City Attorney

STATE OF CALIFORNIA) COUNTY OF IMPERIAL) ss CITY OF EL CENTRO)

I, L. Diane Caldwell, City Clerk of the City of El Centro, California, do hereby certify that the forgoing Resolution No. 18-71 was duly and regularly adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of El Centro, California, held on the 7th day of Aug., 2018, by the following vote:

AYES:Jackson, Viegas-Walker, Garcia, SilvaNOES:NoneABSENT:CardenasABSTAINED:None

Diane Caldwell, City Clerk

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RESOLUTION NO. 2018-52

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF IMPERIAL IN SUPPORT OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF IMPERIAL AND THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE ON THE SALTON SEA

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2018, the County of Imperial, a political subdivision of the State of California, and the County of Riverside, a political subdivision of the State of California (Counties) entered into a Memorandum of Understanding representing a mutual good faith commitment and common goals made in the spirit of cooperation and collaboration to benefit the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the County of Imperial and the County of Riverside to work together with other local agencies in a collaborative manner and support common goals to further Salton Sea restoration and management efforts as well as the development potential of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Counties encourage outreach to the surrounding communities and seek supportive resolutions from all cities and other agencies; and

WHEREAS, mitigation water inflows to the Salton Sea ended on December 31, 2017, pursuant to the Quantification Settlement Agreement (QSA), , and without stabilization and restoration measures, the Salton Sea will rapidly decline; and

WHEREAS, California law requires the California Natural Resources Agency to develop a Salton Sea plan in cooperation and consultation with local agencies; and

WHEREAS, the State of California, through departments within the California Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Agencies (State), has developed a Ten Year Salton Sea Management Program (SSMP) through departments within the California Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Agencies which identifies a phased series of projects; and

WHEREAS, the State is obligated to pay for certain costs related to mitigation of impacts associated with the QSA including wildlife habitat, air and water quality; and

WHEREAS, the State has not appropriated money to pay said mitigation thereby placing the Salton Sea and surrounding communities at substantial risk of irreversible damage to wildlife and public health; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Counties to take coordinated and cooperative action with other agencies to stabilize and restore the Salton Sea in order to protect and improve public health, air quality, water quality and wildlife habitat; and

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WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of the Counties to work together with local agencies on agreed projects and financing mechanisms such as an Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District that would support projects and stimulate economic development around the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Counties recognize and support the value of working with other local agencies to enhance opportunities for renewable energy and geothermal development to the region which would further the State's Renewable Portfolio Standard and Greenhouse Gas Reduction goals and which could provide funding for QSA mitigation projects; and

WHEREAS, the benefits of said integrated projects would include economic development, recreational activity, and reduction in air and water quality impacts as well as optimize the potential opportunities at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the City of Imperial supports the common goal of a locally managed and efficient process to expedite QSA mitigation and other projects at the Salton Sea to avert a further decline at of the Salton Sea.

WHEREAS, the City of Imperial is in support of the North Lake vision which would complement the State's SSMP plan by providing an in-sea barrier around the contours of the north shoreline with a deep lake and respectfully request the State's support and recognition in the SSMP as an important integrated project; and

WHEREAS, the City of Imperial is supportive of the Perimeter Lake concept which would also include a South Lake component and resemble a flowing river with a system of low profile levees bordering the Salton Sea shoreline; and

WHEREAS, the City of Imperial respectfully requests to have the Perimeter Lake incorporated into the State's SSMP long-term plan; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City of Imperial to improve the public health, economic opportunity and overall quality of life of the disadvantaged communities around the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City of Imperial to support public-private partnerships and will encourage private entities to define and develop projects around the Salton Sea.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The forgoing recitals are hereby incorporated as if fully set forth herein.

2. The City Council of the City of Imperial hereby adopts this Resolution in support of the Counties' MOU and agrees to collaborate on the development of a strategy to support common goals which would stabilize and restore the Salton Sea.

APPROVED, PASSED AND ADOPTED at the regular meeting of the City Council this 1st day of August, 2018.

Geoff Dale, Mayor of the City of Imperial

ATTEST:

Debra Jackson, City Clerk

STATE OF CALIFORNIA) COUNTY OF IMPERIAL)ss CITY OF IMPERIAL)

I, the undersigned City Clerk of the City of Imperial, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution No. 2018-52 was duly and regularly adopted at a Regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Imperial held on the 1st day of August 2018, by the following vote:

AYES:PECHTL SAMPSON, TUCKER, AND DALENAYES:NONEABSTAIN:NONEABSENT:AMPARANOMOTION CARRIED 4-0

DEBRA JACKSON, CITY CLERK CITY OF IMPERIAL, CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDIAN WELLS, CALIFORNIA, IN SUPPORT OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF IMPERIAL AND THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE ON THE SALTON SEA

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2018, the County of Imperial, a political subdivision of the State of California, and the County of Riverside, a political subdivision of the State of California (Counties) entered into a Memorandum of Understanding representing a mutual good faith commitment and common goals made in the spirit of cooperation and collaboration to benefit the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the County of Imperial and the County of Riverside (the "Counties") to work together with other local agencies in a collaborative manner and support common goals to further Salton Sea restoration and management efforts as well as the development potential of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Counties encourage outreach to the surrounding communities and seek supportive resolutions from all cities and other agencies. The Counties welcome cities other agencies to join and assist them in efforts that are supportive of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the inflow of water to the Salton Sea has decreased and pursuant to the Quantification Settlement Agreement, mitigation water inflows ended on December 31, 2017, and without restoration or stabilization measures, the Salton Sea will rapidly decline; and

WHEREAS, the State of California ("State") has developed the Salton Sea Management Program ("SSMP) through departments within the California Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Agencies and is obligated to pay for certain costs related to habitat, air and water quality issues at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the State has developed the 10-year SSMP plan and identified a phased series of projects, the state has not appropriated all the necessary SSMP funding. The Salton Sea is at substantial risk of irreversible damage and threatens wildlife and public health; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Counties to take coordinated and cooperative action with other agencies to further stabilize the Salton Sea on such restoration efforts which would protect and improve public health, air quality, and wildlife habitat; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of both Counties to work together with local agencies on agreed projects and financing mechanisms such as an Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District ("EIFD") that would support projects and stimulate economic development around the Sea; and

WHEREAS, both Counties recognize and support the immense value of working together with other local agencies to enhance opportunities for renewable energy and geothermal development to the region by providing reliable, affordable energy in furtherance of the State's Renewable Portfolio Standard and Greenhouse Gas Reduction goals and could provide funding for Salton Sea infrastructure; and City of Indian Wells Resolution No. 2019-01 Page 2

WHEREAS, the benefits of said integrated projects would include economic development, recreational activity, and reduction in air quality impacts as well as optimize the potential opportunities at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, California law requires the California Natural Resources Agency to develop a Salton Sea plan in cooperation and consultation with local agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority supports the common goal of a locally managed and more efficient process to expedite projects at the Salton Sea to avert a further decline at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority is in support of the North Lake vision which would complement the state's SSMP plan by providing an in-sea barrier around the contours of the north shoreline with a deep lake and respectfully request the state's support and recognition in the SSMP as an important integrated project; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority is supportive of the Perimeter Lake concept which would also include a South Lake component and resemble a flowing river with a system of low-profile levees bordering the Salton Sea shoreline. The Parties respectfully request to have the Perimeter Lake incorporated into the state's SSMP long-term plan; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Salton Sea Authority to improve the public health, economic opportunity and overall quality of life of the disadvantaged communities around the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Salton Sea Authority to support public-private partnerships and will assist private entities to define and develop projects around the Salton Sea.

NOW, THEREFORE the City Council of the City of Indian Wells hereby RESOLVES as follows:

SECTION 1. The City Council **DECLARES** support of the Memorandum of Understanding between the County of Imperial and the County of Riverside concerning unified support on the Salton Sea.

SECTION 2. This Resolution shall take effect upon adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Indian Wells, California, at a regular meeting held on 21st day of February 2019.

TED J. MERTENS MAYOR

City of Indian Wells Resolution No. 2019-01 Page 3

CERTIFICATION FOR RESOLUTION NO. 2019-01

I, Anna Grandys, City Clerk of the City Council of the City of Indian Wells, California, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that the whole number of the members of the City Council is five (5); that the above and foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the city of Indian Wells on the 21st day of February 2019, by the following vote:

AYES: Balocco, Mertens, Muzik, Peabody, Reed NOES: None

ATTEST:

AŃŃA GRANDYS CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

JEFFREY S. BALLINGER CITY ATTORNEY

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-06

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALM DESERT, CALIFORNIA, IN SUPPORT OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF IMPERIAL AND THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE CONCERNING THE SALTON SEA

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2018, the County of Imperial, a political subdivision of the State of California, and the County of Riverside, a political subdivision of the State of California ("Counties") entered into a Memorandum of Understanding representing a mutual good faith commitment and common goals made in the spirit of cooperation and collaboration to benefit the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Counties to work together with other local agencies in a collaborative manner and support common goals to further Salton Sea restoration and management efforts as well as the development potential of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Counties encourage outreach to the surrounding communities and seek supportive resolutions from all cities and other agencies. The Counties welcome cities and other agencies to join and assist them in efforts that are supportive of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the inflow of water to the Salton Sea has decreased and pursuant to the Quantification Settlement Agreement, mitigation water inflows ended on December 31, 2017, and without restoration or stabilization measures, the Salton Sea will rapidly decline; and

WHEREAS, the State of California ("State") has developed the Salton Sea Management Program ("SSMP") through departments within the California Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Agencies and is obligated to pay for certain costs related to habitat, air and water quality issues at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the State has developed the 10-year SSMP plan and identified a phased series of projects, the State has not appropriated all the necessary SSMP funding. The Salton Sea is at substantial risk of irreversible damage and threatens wildlife and public health; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Counties to take coordinated and cooperative action with other agencies to further stabilize the Salton Sea on such restoration efforts which would protect and improve public health, air quality, and wildlife habitat; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of the Counties to work together on agreed projects and financing mechanisms such as an Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District ("EIFD") that would support projects and stimulate economic development around the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Counties recognize and support the immense value of working together with other local agencies to enhance opportunities for renewable energy and geothermal development to the region by providing reliable, affordable energy in furtherance of the State's Renewable Portfolio Standard and Greenhouse Gas Reduction goals and could provide funding for Salton Sea infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the benefits of said integrated projects would include economic development, recreational activity, and reduction in air quality impacts, as well as optimize the potential opportunities at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, California law requires the California Natural Resources Agency to develop a Salton Sea plan in cooperation and consultation with local agencies; and

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RESOLUTION NO. 2019-06

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority supports the common goal of a locally managed and more efficient process to expedite projects at the Salton Sea to avert a further decline at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority is in support of the North Lake vision which would complement the State's SSMP plan by providing an in-sea barrier around the contours of the north shoreline with a deep lake and respectfully request the State's support and recognition in the SSMP as an important integrated project; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority is supportive of the Perimeter Lake concept which would also include a South Lake component and resemble a flowing river with a system of low-profile levees bordering the Salton Sea shoreline. The Counties respectfully request to have the Perimeter Lake incorporated into the State's SSMP long-term plan; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Salton Sea Authority to improve the public health, economic opportunity and overall quality of life of the disadvantaged communities around the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Salton Sea Authority to support public private partnerships and will assist private entities to define and develop projects around the Salton Sea.

WHEREAS, Parties are supportive of comprehensive analysis of ocean water importation as a long-term solution for the restoration of the Salton Sea. Parties respectfully request analysis be conducted of ocean water importation and incorporated into the State's 10-year SSMP plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Palm Desert, California, as follows:

<u>SECTION 1.</u> The City Council declares support of the Memorandum of Understanding between the County of Imperial and the County of Riverside concerning unified support on the Salton Sea.

SECTION 2. The City Council shall certify support and adoption of this resolution.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 14th day of February 2019, by the City Council of the City of Palm Desert, California by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: HARNIK, KELLY, and NESTANDE

NOES: JONATHAN and WEBER

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

GINA NESTANDE, MAYOR PRO TEM

ATTEST:

RACHELLE D. KLASSEN, CITY CLERI CITY OF PALM DESERT, CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION <u>18-20</u>

RESOLUTION OF CITY OF WESTMORLAND IN SUPPORT OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF IMPERIAL AND THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE ON THE SALTON SEA

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2018, the County of Imperial, a political subdivision of the State of California, and the County of Riverside, a political subdivision of the State of California (Counties) entered into a Memorandum of Understanding representing a mutual good faith commitment and common goals made in the spirit of cooperation and collaboration to benefit the Salton Sea.

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the County of Imperial and the County of Riverside to work together with other local agencies in a collaborative manner and support common goals to further Salton Sea restoration and management efforts as well as the development potential of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Counties encourage outreach to the surrounding communities and seek supportive resolutions from all cities and other agencies. The Parties welcome cities other agencies to join and assist them in efforts that are supportive of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the inflow of water to the Salton Sea has decreased and pursuant to the Quantification Settlement Agreement, mitigation water inflows ended on December 31, 2017, and without restoration or stabilization measures, the Salton Sea will rapidly decline; and

WHEREAS, the State of California ("State") has developed the Salton Sea Management Program ("SSMP) through departments within the California Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Agencies and is obligated to pay for certain costs related to habitat, air and water quality issues at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the state has developed the 10-year SSMP plan and identified a phased series of projects, the state has not appropriated all the necessary SSMP funding. The Salton Sea is at substantial risk of irreversible damage and threatens wildlife and public health; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Counties to take coordinated and cooperative action with other agencies to further stabilize the Salton Sea on such restoration efforts which would protect and improve public health, air quality, and wildlife habitat; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of both Counties to work together with local agencies on agreed projects and financing mechanisms such as an Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District ("EIFD") that would support projects and stimulate economic development around the Sea; and

WHEREAS, both Counties recognize and support the immense value of working together with other local agencies to enhance opportunities for renewable energy and geothermal development to the region by providing reliable, affordable energy in furtherance of the State's Renewable Portfolio Standard and Greenhouse Gas Reduction goals and could provide funding for Salton Sea infrastructure; and WHEREAS, the benefits of said integrated projects would include economic development, recreational activity, and reduction in air quality impacts as well as optimize the potential opportunities at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, California law requires the California Natural Resources Agency to develop a Salton Sea plan in cooperation and consultation with local agencies; and

WHEREAS, the City of Westmorland supports the common goal of a locally managed and more efficient process to expedite projects at the Salton Sea to avert a further decline at the Salton Sea.

WHEREAS, the City of Westmorland is in support of the North Lake vision which would complement the state's SSMP plan by providing an in-sea barrier around the contours of the north shoreline with a deep lake and respectfully request the state's support and recognition in the SSMP as an important integrated project; and

WHEREAS, the City of Westmorland is supportive of the Perimeter Lake concept which would also include a South Lake component and resemble a flowing river with a system of low profile levees bordering the Salton Sea shoreline. The Parties respectfully request to have the Perimeter Lake incorporated into the state's SSMP long-term plan; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City of Westmorland to improve the public health, economic opportunity and overall quality of life of the disadvantaged communities around the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City of Westmorland to support public-private partnerships and will assist private entities to define and develop projects around the Salton Sea; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Westmorland hereby adopts this Resolution and agrees to a collaborative partnership and a unified strategy to support common goals which would stabilize and restore the Salton Sea.

Lawrence Ritchie, Mayor City of Westmorland

ATTEST:

Sally Traylor, City Clerk

MEETING MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WESTMORLAND FOR SEPTEMBER 5, 2018

The City Council of the City of Westmorland met in regular meeting in City Hall on Wednesday, September 5, 2018 at 6:00 PM. Mayor ProTem Ana Beltran called the meeting in order at 6:00 PM and Kenny Ashurst led the invocation.

Present at time of roll call: Council members Xavier Mendez, Henry Graham, and Ana Beltran. Also present were Mitch Driskill City Attorney, Perry Monita-Chief of Police, Anne Graham City Treasurer, Joel Hamby, and Ramiro Barajas. Absent: Mayor Larry Ritchie, Councilwomen Mary Ann Smith, and City Clerk Sally Traylor

Oral Communication - Public & Staff Reports: 1) Victor Nava & Lee Hindman of the Westmorland Chamber of Commerce announced that as of August 18th Sally Traylor has officially resigned of the Westmorland Chamber of Commerce, which has left them trying to determine what the next step would be. The Chamber of Commerce was formed for business networking, marketing, and to advocate on behave of local businesses. Mr. Nava presented three options for the next step or chapter for the Chamber. Option 1. Rest this year and look into options to merge with Brawley Chamber of Commerce to kick off the event with a new date that fits best to the community, they will have the staff and ability to market the Honey Festival, and provide many benefits to its members which are not currently being offered thru the Westmorland Chamber of Commerce. Option 2. Possibility of the City of Westmorland take over the Honey Festival Option 3. For the community or its stakeholders create its own entity association to take over the Honey Festival and operate solely under that entity. Councilmen Henry Graham recommended for stakeholder's and community members to meet up and determine what direction they want to take and bring back to council as New Business Discussion/Action item on the next meeting September 19th. Mr. Kenny Ashurst present will arrange a meeting with members of the community and volunteers to come up with a plan. 2) Mr. Joel Hamby City of Westmorland reported that he had just attended a preconstruction meeting with the Loves group and DJ Miller will be the contractor who will start the ground work, removal of brush and wetting down the ground irrigate within the next two weeks, 3) Councilmen Xavier Mendez informed the community of the upcoming Movie Nights September 8^{th} , 22^{nd} and 29^{th} at the Youth Hall 7:00 PM. Also thanked the all those that came out and helped with Water Day it was a success.

Approval on proposal for Microphone System - Council Chambers Installation - Council: Tabled

Adoption of Resolution 18-20 Supporting the Memorandum of Understanding between the County of Imperial and the County of Riverside on the Salton Sea Project – Council: M – Henry Graham to adopt Resolution 18-20 as stated above S – Xavier Mendez M/C

<u>Update on ICTC/LTA Audit – Joel Hamby</u>: ICTC/LTA staff met with City staff for the second time to assist the City in resolving the LTA audit deficiencies. Kathy Williams and Michelle Bastidas met with Rachel Fonseca, Jeanette McLaughlin, and Mr. Joel Hamby for the City of Westmorland. A strategy was proposed by City Staff to establish a clear starting point for moving forward. The starting point may be from the last satisfactory audit in FY 14/15. However, Jeanette had prepared documentation beginning in July, 2010, which is being proposed as a "zero balance" point since that was when the current 40 year Measure D was put into effect. Kathy Williams said the City should prepare a letter on City letterhead making the request to use 2010 as the "zero balance" starting point, directed to Mark Baza, CEO of ICTC. He would then take the request to the ICTC Management Committee, then to the LTA Oversight Committee, with final approval being needed from the Board of Supervisors. The LTA/Measure D annual audit will commence in October. If the City is able to present satisfactory documentation for the FY

ITEM 6E

Coachella Valley Association of Governments Executive Committee September 24, 2018



Staff Report

Subject: Salton Sea Memorandum of Understanding

Contact: Tom Kirk, Executive Director (tkirk@cvag.org)

<u>Recommendation</u>: Adopt the following policy statement: "CVAG supports the principles of the memorandum of understanding between Riverside and Imperial Counties for working together on the Salton Sea."

Background: Riverside County and Imperial County have recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to support common goals that further Salton Sea restoration and management efforts as well as the development potential of the Salton Sea. The MOU includes support for the North Lake vision that Riverside County Supervisor V. Manuel Perez unveiled earlier this year, as well as a Perimeter Lake concept that would include a South Lake component. The Counties want to have these concepts included into the state's 10-year Salton Sea Management Program (SSMP).

The MOU also outlines an intent to work together with the Salton Sea Authority and other local agencies on projects and financing mechanisms, such as an Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District (EIF), that would stimulate economic development around the Sea while mitigating air quality issues and creating vital habitat.

Riverside County is asking cities and agencies across the county support the MOU. A resolution has already been adopted by the member agencies of the Salton Sea Authority.

The MOU was presented to the CVAG Technical Advisory Committee at the September 10, 2018 meeting as an information item.

Attachments: MOU Concerning Unified Support on the Salton Sea

RESOLUTION NO. 10074

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDIO, CALIFORNIA, IN SUPPORT OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF IMPERIAL AND THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE CONCERNING THE SALTON SEA

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2018, the County of Imperial, a political subdivision of the State of California, and the County of Riverside, a political subdivision of the State of California ("Counties") entered into a Memorandum of Understanding representing a mutual good faith commitment and common goals made in the spirit of cooperation and collaboration to benefit the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Counties to work together with other local agencies in a collaborative manner and support common goals to further Salton Sea restoration and management efforts as well as the development potential of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Counties encourage outreach to the surrounding communities and seek supportive resolutions from all cities and other agencies. The Counties welcome cities and other agencies to join and assist them in efforts that are supportive of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the inflow of water to the Salton Sea has decreased and pursuant to the Quantification Settlement Agreement, mitigation water inflows ended on December 31, 2017, and without restoration or stabilization measures, the Salton Sea will rapidly decline; and

WHEREAS, the State of California ("State") has developed the Salton Sea Management Program ("SSMP") through departments within the California Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Agencies and is obligated to pay for certain costs related to habitat, air and water quality issues at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the State has developed the 10-year SSMP plan and identified a phased series of projects, the State has not appropriated all the necessary SSMP funding. The Salton Sea is at substantial risk of irreversible damage and threatens wildlife and public health; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Counties to take coordinated and cooperative action with other agencies to further stabilize the Salton Sea on such restoration efforts which would protect and improve public health, air quality, and wildlife habitat; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of the Counties to work together with local agencies on agreed projects and financing mechanisms such as an Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District ("EIFD") that would support projects and stimulate economic development around the Salton Sea; and

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WHEREAS, the Counties recognize and support the immense value of working together with other local agencies to enhance opportunities for renewable energy and geothermal development to the region by providing reliable, affordable energy in furtherance of the State's Renewable Portfolio Standard and Greenhouse Gas Reduction goals and could provide funding for Salton Sea infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the benefits of said integrated projects would include economic development, recreational activity, and reduction in air quality impacts, as well as optimize the potential opportunities at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, California law requires the California Natural Resources Agency to develop a Salton Sea plan in cooperation and consultation with local agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority supports the common goal of a locally managed and more efficient process to expedite projects at the Salton Sea to avert a further decline at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority is in support of the North Lake vision which would complement the State's SSMP plan by providing an in-sea barrier around the contours of the north shoreline with a deep lake and respectfully request the State's support and recognition in the SSMP as an important integrated project; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority is supportive of the Perimeter Lake concept which would also include a South Lake component and resemble a flowing river with a system of low-profile levees bordering the Salton Sea shoreline. The Counties respectfully request to have the Perimeter Lake incorporated into the State's SSMP longterm plan; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Salton Sea Authority to improve the public health, economic opportunity and overall quality of life of the disadvantaged communities around the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Salton Sea Authority to support public-private partnerships and will assist private entities to define and develop projects around the Salton Sea.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDIO DOES HEREBY FIND, RESOLVE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein.

<u>Section 2</u>. The City Council declares support of the Memorandum of Understanding between the County of Imperial and the County of Riverside concerning unified support on the Salton Sea.

Section 3. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

<u>Section 4</u>. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this resolution.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 3rd day of April, 2019, by the following vote:

AYES: Holmes, Ramos Amith NOES: None ABSTAIN: Ortiz, Fermon, Miller

LUPE RAMOS AMITH, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CYNTHIA HERNANDEZ, **CITY CLERK**

RESOLUTION NO. 2018 - 057

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA QUINTA, CALIFORNIA, IN SUPPORT OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF IMPERIAL AND THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE CONCERNING THE SALTON SEA

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2018, the County of Imperial, a political subdivision of the State of California, and the County of Riverside, a political subdivision of the State of California ("Counties") entered into a Memorandum of Understanding representing a mutual good faith commitment and common goals made in the spirit of cooperation and collaboration to benefit the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Counties to work together with other local agencies in a collaborative manner and support common goals to further Salton Sea restoration and management efforts as well as the development potential of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Counties encourage outreach to the surrounding communities and seek supportive resolutions from all cities and other agencies. The Counties welcome cities and other agencies to join and assist them in efforts that are supportive of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the inflow of water to the Salton Sea has decreased and pursuant to the Quantification Settlement Agreement, mitigation water inflows ended on December 31, 2017, and without restoration or stabilization measures, the Salton Sea will rapidly decline; and

WHEREAS, the State of California ("State") has developed the Salton Sea Management Program ("SSMP") through departments within the California Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Agencies and is obligated to pay for certain costs related to habitat, air and water quality issues at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the State has developed the 10-year SSMP plan and identified a phased series of projects, the State has not appropriated all the necessary SSMP funding. The Salton Sea is at substantial risk of irreversible damage and threatens wildlife and public health; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Counties to take coordinated and cooperative action with other agencies to further stabilize the Salton Sea on such restoration efforts which would protect and improve public health, air quality, and wildlife habitat; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of the Counties to work together with local agencies on agreed projects and financing mechanisms such as an Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District ("EIFD") that would support projects and stimulate economic development around the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Counties recognize and support the immense value of working together with other local agencies to enhance opportunities for renewable energy and geothermal development to the region by providing reliable, affordable energy in furtherance of the State's Renewable Portfolio Standard and Greenhouse Gas Reduction goals and could provide funding for Salton Sea infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the benefits of said integrated projects would include economic development, recreational activity, and reduction in air quality impacts, as well as optimize the potential opportunities at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, California law requires the California Natural Resources Agency to develop a Salton Sea plan in cooperation and consultation with local agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority supports the common goal of a locally managed and more efficient process to expedite projects at the Salton Sea to avert a further decline at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority is in support of the North Lake vision which would complement the State's SSMP plan by providing an in-sea barrier around the contours of the north shoreline with a deep lake and respectfully request the State's support and recognition in the SSMP as an important integrated project; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority is supportive of the Perimeter Lake concept which would also include a South Lake component and resemble a flowing river with a system of low-profile levees bordering the Salton Sea shoreline. The Counties respectfully request to have the Perimeter Lake incorporated into the State's SSMP long-term plan; and

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WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Salton Sea Authority to improve the public health, economic opportunity and overall quality of life of the disadvantaged communities around the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Salton Sea Authority to support publicprivate partnerships and will assist private entities to define and develop projects around the Salton Sea.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of La Quinta, California, as follows:

<u>SECTION 1.</u> The City Council declares support of the Memorandum of Understanding between the County of Imperial and the County of Riverside concerning unified support on the Salton Sea.

<u>SECTION 2.</u> The City Council shall certify support and adoption of this resolution.

PASSED, APPROVED, and **ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the La Quinta City Council held on this 20th day of November, 2018, by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Fitzpatrick, Peña, Radi, Sanchez, Mayor Evans

- NOES: None
- **ABSENT: None**
- **ABSTAIN: None**

LINDA EVANS, Mayor City of La Quinta, California

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ATTEST:

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MONIKA RADEVA, City Clerk City of La Quinta, California

(CITY SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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WILLIAM H. IHRKE, City Attorney City of La Quinta, California

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF IMPERIAL AND THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE CONCERNING UNIFIED SUPPORT ON THE SALTON SEA

THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ("MOU") is entered into on this 26th day of June, 2018, by and between the County of Imperial, a political subdivision of the State of California, and the County of Riverside, a political subdivision of the State of California. Both counties may be referred to herein collectively as the "Parties".

This MOU represents good faith commitments and common goals which are being made in the spirit of cooperation and collaboration to benefit the Salton Sea.

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the County of Imperial and the County of Riverside to work together in a collaborative manner and support common goals to further Salton Sea restoration and management efforts as well as the development potential of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the inflow of water to the Salton Sea has decreased and pursuant to the Quantification Settlement Agreement, mitigation water inflows ended on December 31, 2017, and without restoration or stabilization measures, the Salton Sea will rapidly decline; and

WHEREAS, the State of California ("State") has developed the Salton Sea Management Program ("SSMP) through departments within the California Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Agencies and is obligated to pay for certain costs related to habitat, air and water quality issues at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the state has developed the 10-year SSMP plan and identified a phased series of projects, the state has not appropriated all the necessary SSMP funding. The Salton Sea is at substantial risk of irreversible damage and threatens wildlife and public health; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of both Parties to take coordinated and cooperative action to further stabilize the Salton Sea on such restoration efforts which would protect and improve public health, air quality, and wildlife habitat; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea is located within both counties and the Parties have land-use authority and land-use control; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of both Parties to work together on agreed projects and financing mechanisms such as an Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District ("EIFD") that would support projects and stimulate economic development around the Sea; and

WHEREAS, both Parties recognize and support the immense value of working together to enhance opportunities for renewable energy and geothermal development to the region by providing reliable, affordable energy in furtherance of the State's Renewable Portfolio Standard and Greenhouse Gas Reduction goals and could provide funding for Salton Sea infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the benefits of said integrated projects would include economic development, recreational activity, and reduction in air quality impacts as well as optimize the potential opportunities at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of both Parties to support the Salton Sea Authority ("SSA"), the SSA as a Joint Power Authority with common power of directing and coordinating actions relating to the improvement of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, both Parties desire recognition of Imperial and Riverside Counties as the local land use authorities with an enhanced role in implementing projects. California law requires the California Natural Resources Agency to develop a Salton Sea plan in cooperation and consultation with local agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Parties support the common goal of a locally managed and more efficient process to expedite projects at the Salton Sea to avert a further decline at the Salton Sea.

WHEREAS, it is the desire of both Parties to respectfully request a State Legislative amendment to clarify the state's legislative directive to consult and cooperate with Imperial and Riverside Counties; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority recently achieved historic progress and completed the first phase Wetland project located on the Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indian Tribe reservation. The Wetland project was carried out and accomplished by the leadership of the Salton Sea Authority and its member agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Parties are in support of the North Lake vision which would complement the state's SSMP plan by providing an in-sea barrier around the contours of the north shoreline with a deep lake and respectfully request the state's support and recognition in the SSMP as an important integrated project; and

WHEREAS, the Parties are supportive of the Perimeter Lake concept which would also include a South Lake component and resemble a flowing river with a system of low profile levees bordering the Salton Sea shoreline. The Parties respectfully request to have the Perimeter Lake incorporated into the state's SSMP long-term plan; and

WHEREAS, the Parties will encourage outreach to the surrounding communities and seek supportive resolutions from all cities. The Parties welcome other agencies to join and assist them in efforts that are supportive of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Parties to improve the public health, economic opportunity and overall quality of life of the disadvantaged communities around the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Parties to support public-private partnerships and will assist private entities to define and develop projects around the Salton Sea; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Imperial and the County of Riverside hereby adopt this Memorandum of Understanding and agree to a collaborative partnership and a unified strategy to support common goals which would stabilize and restore the Salton Sea.

County of Imperial

Raymond R. Castillo, Chairman Imperial County Board of Supervisors

John R. Renison, District 1 Imperial County Board of Supervisors

/ Luis A. Plancarte, District 2 Imperial County Board of Supervisors

Michael W. Kelley, District 3 Imperial County Board of Supervisors

Ryan E. Kelley, District 4 Imperial County Board of Supervisors

County of Riverside

Chuck Washington, Chairman Riverside County Board of Supervisors

Kevin Jeffries, District 1 Riverside County Board of Supervisors

V. Manuel Perez, District 4 Riverside County Board of Supervisors

John F. Tavaglione, District 2 Riverside County Board of Supervisors

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Marion Ashley, District 5 Riverside County Board of Supervisors



July 16, 2019

Phil Rosentrater General Manager/Executive Director Salton Sea Authority 82-995 Highway 111, Suite 200 Indio, CA 92201

Dear Mr. Rosentrater,

The Morongo Band of Mission Indians received a letter of consideration and approval of the Imperial and Riverside County Joint MOU Support Resolution on November 19, 2018 from Mr. Thomas Tortez, Jr., Board President. On June 25, 2019, the honorable Morongo Band of Mission Indians Tribal Council certified Resolution # 062519-01.

Please find attached Resolution #062519-01, approved and signed by the Morongo Tribal Council.

If you have any questions please contact me directly at (951)755-5270.

Sincerely

John Covington Reservation Services Administrator



MORONGO BAND OF MISSION INDIANS

RESOLUTION Dla2519-01

SUPPORTING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF IMPERIAL AND RIVERSIDE

WHEREAS, The Morongo Band of Mission Indians (the Tribe) is a sovereign, self-governing Indian Tribe, exercising retained sovereign authority over its lands and its people, which rights predate the existence of the United States and the adoption of the United States Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the Morongo Tribal Council is the governing body of the Tribe and is comprised of seven (7) council members who are elected by the General Membership of the Band; and

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2018 the County of Imperial, a political subdivision of the State of California, and the County of Riverside, a political subdivision of the State of California [Counties] entered into a Memorandum of Understanding representing a mutual good faith commitment and common goals made in the spirit of cooperation and collaboration to benefit the vast Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the inflow of water to the Salton Sea has decreased and pursuant to the Quantification Settlement Agreement, mitigation water inflows ended on December 31, 2017, and without restoration or stabilization measures the Salton Sea will decline; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Counties to coordinate and cooperate with other agencies and Tribes to fulfill restoration efforts which will improve and protect the public health, air quality, and wildlife habitat; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe supports the common goal of a locally managed and more efficient process to expedite projects at the Salton Sea which would otherwise have an adverse effect on the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe supports the Perimeter Lake and South Lake project which would resemble a flowing river with a system of low- profile levees bordering the Salton Sea shoreline; and

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WHEREAS, the Tribe hereby states that this Resolution shall in no way modify, impair, or otherwise adversely impact the Tribes legal right to water or otherwise under federal or state law; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Morongo Tribal Council as follows:

The Morongo Band of Mission Indians Tribal Council hereby adopts this Resolution and supports a collaborative partnership between the Tribes, Federal, State, and local agencies which will unify a strategy to support common goals and objectives to stabilize and restore the Salton Sea.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a duly called Tribal Council Meeting held on June $\frac{1}{2}$, 2019, by a vote of $\frac{1}{2}$ in favor, $\frac{1}{2}$ against, and $\frac{2}{2}$ abstaining.

Chairperson Robert Martin James Siva Council Member Charles Martin Council Member Brian Lugo Council Member Leatrice Briones Council Member Mary Ann Andreas **Council Member Anne Robinson**

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January 10, 2019

Phil Rosentrater Executive Director Salton Sea Authority 82995 Hwy 111, Suite 200 Indio, CA 92201

RE: Proposed North Lake Project

Dear Mr. Rosentrater:

On behalf of Alianza Coachella Valley, Audubon California, Defenders of Wildlife, Environmental Defense Fund, Kounkuey Design Initiative, Pacific Institute, and Sierra Club California, we encourage the Salton Sea Authority (Authority) to expedite the implementation of a North Lake plan for the Salton Sea. We also offer comments and suggestions on the proposed North Lake concept that was briefly summarized at the June 12th and November 13th meetings of California's Salton Sea Management Program (SSMP) 10-Year Plan Committee. As we have noted previously, a North Lake could offer a host of habitat, recreational, and economic development opportunities and should be pursued. A North Lake project also offers the Authority the opportunity to lead on a local project.

As you know, time is of the essence. More than three years have passed since Governor Brown established acreage milestones with his Salton Sea Task Force Agency Actions, yet the state still has yet to construct a single acre of habitat at the Salton Sea. The SSMP has also failed to achieve the

acreage milestone established by the State Water Resources Control Board's <u>Order WR 2017-0134</u>. This inaction does not occur in a vacuum. Since the signing of the Quantification Settlement Agreement in 2003, the salinity of the Salton Sea has increased by more than a third while its surface has dropped by more than eight and a half feet, exposing more than 20,000 acres of lakebed. Populations of fish-eating birds such as pelicans and cormorants have plummeted, while dust emissions have increased, harming the people that live downwind from the Sea.

Fortunately, last June, California voters approved \$20 million for the Authority to construct Salton Sea projects, affording a real opportunity for the Authority to demonstrate leadership and competence and build functional projects at the Salton Sea.

We encourage you to act quickly on this opportunity. Please include a report at the January 24 Authority Board Meeting describing a general planning and construction schedule for a North Lake and a conceptual budget for expending the \$20 million authorized by Proposition 68, as well as other funds currently available to the Authority. We also encourage you to include a report on the status of the North Lake Plan at the January 24 Board Meeting, toward an action item at the February 21 Board Meeting on a preferred alternative and a schedule for project design and implementation. This is an excellent time to demonstrate that the Authority can act decisively on behalf of the Salton Sea, expediting consideration and implementation of the North Lake vision championed by Supervisor Perez a year ago and reviewed by Riverside County in the summer of 2017.

We encourage you to incorporate the following recommendations into the formation of the North Lake Plan:

- Lake elevation The North Lake plan should maximize lake elevation, to increase surface area and depth and to better provide a water supply for other projects. Presumably, the design elevation could be -226.0' (NAVD 1988), roughly the Salton Sea's elevation in 2003. A North Lake should include deep (~10') water habitat for primarily fish-eating birds, such as pelicans and cormorants. A target elevation of -226.0' would rewet exposed playa, help capture drain flows that might otherwise be lost to evaporation and vegetation, and minimize the need to extend existing roads to access the North Lake. Additionally, a higher elevation North Lake could more readily supply water to refill the marinas of shoreline communities to the south.
- Inflow sources & quantities The North Lake should be sized to optimize the capture of Whitewater River baseflows, and as much flood flow from the river as can be captured at reasonable cost. The SSA should task its consultant with determining average annual Whitewater River baseflows and estimating what additional construction costs would be required to capture flood flows. The consultant should also describe the tradeoffs between routing flood flows through the North Lake versus diverting baseflows plus some portion of flood flows into the lake. Any North Lake plan should include the projected water demand for the lake, and an annotated list of sources to meet this demand.

- Capture and Recharge The Authority should work closely with the Coachella Valley Water District (CVWD) to expand CVWD's floodwater recharge program, benefitting the region's aquifer and increasing reliable baseflows to the North Lake. Such an approach might be able to leverage additional federal infrastructure funding and expertise. Close coordination with CVWD will also avoid potential conflicts with CVWD's updated Stormwater master plan or construction of new wastewater recycling facilities.
- Salinity We do not believe the North Lake plan should set specific salinity objectives or targets. Since the state's preference for higher-salinity water is mainly intended to avoid selenium biomagnification and since selenium should be less of a concern given low-selenium Whitewater River flows, the North Lake should avoid the significant capital and operations costs of pumping remnant Salton Sea water to manage salinity. Instead, the North Lake plan should simply use raw river water to sustain the North Lake. Discharge from the Lake could then be used downgradient to support additional habitat and dust control ponds.
- Selenium The use of lower-selenium Whitewater River flows should be prioritized. Use of drain water with selenium concentrations greater than the 3.1 ppb (identified in the draft EPA criteria) should be avoided. Additionally, please refer to Agrarian's sediment map (attached), to avoid siting the North Lake atop high-selenium sediments.
- Torres-Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians The Tribe must be an integral part of the planning process, given their extensive property in the project area. The Tribe might also be able to supply rock for the North Lake impoundment structure.
- Community Amenities The Authority should include community amenities as part of the concept and design of the North Lake to maximize the opportunity for public access and stewardship. These amenities should be developed in conjunction with residents of the Eastern Coachella Valley, and should be included as part of the first phase of the project build-out.
- Resident Engagement The Authority should work with closely with local community groups and residents throughout the design, planning, and construction process. A dedicated engagement budget and strategy that is developed upfront is necessary to serve as a roadmap for outreach and engagement decisions, and opportunities for participatory budgeting should be included within the engagement process.
- Public Access The North Lake plan should designate public access along much of the shoreline and in a portion of the deeper-water lake, but restrict public access near the delta and in a portion of the lake (perhaps 50% of areas deeper than three feet) to offer a refuge for fish and birds.
- Costs The North Lake plan should clearly describe the estimated capital and annual costs associated with different Lake configurations.

Thank you for your consideration of these recommendations and suggestions. We strongly support a viable North Lake project and stand ready to work with you to expedite its funding and implementation.

Sincerely,

Michael Cohen Senior Associate Pacific Institute

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Pablo Garza CA Political Director, Ecosystems Environmental Defense Fund

Frank Ruiz

Frank Ruiz Salton Sea Program Director Audubon California

Jennifer Toy Design Director Kounkuey Design Initiative

Cc: Bruce Wilcox Genevieve Johnson, Bureau of Reclamation Justine Herrig, SWRCB Arturo Delgado, DFW Vivien Maisonneuve, DWR

Kimberley Delfino California Program Director Defenders of Wildlife

Silvia Paz Executive Director Alianza Coachella Valley

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Joan Taylor Co-Chair, California/Nevada Desert Committee Sierra Club

RESOLUTION NO. 24521

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA, IN SUPPORT OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF IMPERIAL AND THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE ON THE SALTON SEA.

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2018, the County of Imperial, a political subdivision of the State of California, and the County of Riverside, a political subdivision of the State of California (Counties) entered into a Memorandum of Understanding representing a mutual good faith commitment and common goals made in the spirit of cooperation and collaboration to benefit the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the County of Imperial and the County of Riverside to work together with other local agencies in a collaborative manner and support common goals to further Salton Sea restoration and management efforts as well as the development potential of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Counties encourage outreach to the surrounding communities and seek supportive resolutions from all cities and other agencies. The Parties welcome cities and other agencies to join and assist them in efforts that are supportive of the Salton Sea; and

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WHEREAS, the state has developed the 10-year SSMP plan and identified a phased series of projects, the state has not appropriated all the necessary SSMP funding. The Salton Sea is at substantial risk of irreversible damage and threatens wildlife and public health; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Counties to take coordinated and cooperative action with other agencies to further stabilize the Salton Sea on such restoration efforts which would protect and improve public health, air quality, and wildlife habitat; and Resolution No. 24521 Page 2

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of both Counties to work together with local agencies on agreed projects and financing mechanisms such as an Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District ("EIFD") that would support projects and stimulate economic development around the Sea; and

WHEREAS, both Counties recognize and support the immense value of working together with other local agencies to enhance opportunities for renewable energy and geothermal development to the region by providing reliable, affordable energy in furtherance of the State's Renewable Portfolio Standard and Greenhouse Gas Reduction goals and could provide funding for Salton Sea infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the benefits of said integrated projects would include economic development, recreational activity, and reduction in air quality impacts as well as optimize the potential opportunities at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, California law requires the California Natural Resources Agency to develop a Salton Sea plan in cooperation and consultation with local agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority supports the common goal of a locally managed and more efficient process to expedite projects at the Salton Sea to avert a further decline at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority is in support of the North Lake vision which would complement the state's SSMP plan by providing an in-sea barrier around the contours of the north shoreline with a deep lake and respectfully request the state's support and recognition in the SSMP as an important integrated project; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority is supportive of the Perimeter Lake concept which would also include a South Lake component and resemble a flowing river with a system of low-profile levees bordering the Salton Sea shoreline. The Parties respectfully request to have the Perimeter Lake incorporated into the state's SSMP long-term plan; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Salton Sea Authority to improve the public health, economic opportunity and overall quality of life of the disadvantaged communities around the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Salton Sea Authority to support public-private partnerships and will assist private entities to define and develop projects around the Salton Sea.

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NOW, THEREFORE THE CITY COUNCIL DETERMINES, RESOLVES AND APPROVES AS FOLLOWS:

<u>SECTION 1.</u> The City of Palm Springs hereby adopts this Resolution and agrees to a collaborative partnership and a unified strategy to support common goals which would stabilize and restore the Salton Sea.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE PALM SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL THIS 5th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2018.

David H. Ready, Esq., Ph.D. City Manager

ATTEST.

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CERTIFICATION

STATE OF CALIFORNIA) COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE) ss. CITY OF PALM SPRINGS)

I, ANTHONY J. MEJIA, City Clerk of the City of Palm Springs, hereby certify that Resolution No. 24521 is a full, true and correct copy, and was duly adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Palm Springs on the 5th day of December, 2018, by the following vote:

 AYES: Councilmembers Holstege, Middleton, Roberts, Mayor Pro Tem Kors, and Mayor Moon
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the City of Palm Springs, California, this <u>16th</u> day of <u>580000</u>, <u>2019</u>.

Anthony J. Mejia, MM City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-49

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RANCHO MIRAGE, CALIFORNIA, IN SUPPORT OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF IMPERIAL AND THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE REGARDING THE SALTON SEA

WHEREAS, the City of Rancho Mirage ("City") is a charter city and a political subdivision of the State of California; and

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2018, the County of Imperial, a political subdivision of the State of California, and the County of Riverside, a political subdivision of the State of California (collectively, "Counties") entered into a Memorandum of Understanding representing a mutual good faith commitment and common goals made in the spirit of cooperation and collaboration to benefit the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the County of Imperial and the County of Riverside to work together with other local agencies in a collaborative manner and support common goals to further Salton Sea restoration and management efforts as well as the development potential of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Counties encourage outreach to the surrounding communities and seek supportive resolutions from all cities and other agencies. The Counties welcome cities other agencies to join and assist them in efforts that are supportive of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the inflow of water to the Salton Sea has decreased and pursuant to the Quantification Settlement Agreement (between the Imperial Irrigation District, the San Diego County Water Authority, and several other federal, local and State water agencies), mitigation water inflows ended on December 31, 2017, causing the declining body of water to begin to shrink more rapidly, and without restoration or stabilization measures, the Salton Sea will rapidly decline; and

WHEREAS, the State of California ("State") has developed the Salton Sea Management Program ("SSMP") through departments within the California Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Agencies and is obligated to pay for certain costs related to habitat, air and water quality issues at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the state has developed the 10-year SSMP plan and identified a phased series of projects. The state has not appropriated all the necessary SSMP funding. The Salton Sea is at substantial risk of irreversible damage and threatens wildlife and public health; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Counties to take coordinated and cooperative action with other agencies to further stabilize the Salton Sea on such restoration efforts which would protect and improve public health, air quality, and wildlife habitat; and

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WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of both Counties to work together on agreed projects and financing mechanisms such as an Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District ("EIFD") that would support projects and stimulate economic development around the Sea; and

WHEREAS, both Counties recognize and support the immense value of working together with other local agencies to enhance opportunities for renewable energy and geothermal development to the region by providing reliable, affordable energy in furtherance of the State's Renewable Portfolio Standard and Greenhouse Gas Reduction goals and could provide funding for Salton Sea infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the benefits of said integrated projects would include economic development, recreational activity, and reduction in air quality impacts as well as optimize the potential opportunities at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, California law requires the California Natural Resources Agency to develop a Salton Sea plan in cooperation and consultation with local agencies; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rancho Mirage supports the common goal of a locally managed and more efficient process to expedite projects at the Salton Sea to avert a further decline at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rancho Mirage is in support of the North Lake vision which would complement the state's SSMP plan by providing an in-sea barrier around the contours of the north shoreline with a deep lake and respectfully request the State's support and recognition in the SSMP as an important integrated project; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rancho Mirage is supportive of the Perimeter Lake concept which would also include a South Lake component and resemble a flowing river with a system of low-profile levees bordering the Salton Sea shoreline. The Counties respectfully request to have the Perimeter Lake incorporated into the State's SSMP longterm plan; and

WHEREAS, City of Rancho Mirage desires to improve the public health, economic opportunity and overall quality of life of the disadvantaged communities around the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, City of Rancho Mirage desires to support public-private partnerships and may assist private entities to define and develop projects around the Salton Sea.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RANCHO MIRAGE DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DECLARE, DETERMINE, AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals.

That the Recitals set forth above are true and correct.

Section 2. Support Salton Sea MOU.

That the City of Rancho Mirage hereby adopts this Resolution and shall make an effort to work in collaborative with a unified strategy to support common goals which would stabilize and restore the Salton Sea.

Section 3. Severability.

That should any provision, section, paragraph, sentence or word of this Resolution be rendered or declared invalid by any final court action in a court of competent jurisdiction or by reason of any preemptive legislation, the remaining provisions, sections, paragraphs, sentences or words of this Resolution as hereby adopted shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 4. Repeal of Conflicting Provisions.

That all the provisions heretofore adopted by the City Council that are in conflict with the provisions of this Resolution are hereby repealed.

Section 5. Effective Date.

That this Resolution shall take effect upon its adoption.

Section 6. Certification.

That the City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Resolution and enter it into the book of original resolutions.

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PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED on this 20th day of December, 2018.

CITY OF RANCHO MIRAGE

Richard W. Kite, Mayor

ATTEST:

no

Kristie Ramos, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

X & Coffee Asistant City Attorney for Steven B. Quintanilla, City Attorney

CERTIFICATION

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE)

CITY OF RANCHO MIRAGE)

I, Kristie Ramos, City Clerk of the City of Rancho Mirage, California, do hereby certify that Resolution No. 2018-49 was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Rancho Mirage, California, at a regular meeting thereof held on the 20th day of December 2018, by the following vote:

AYES: Hobart, Kite, Smotrich, Townsend, Weill.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

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Kristie Ramos City Clerk

RESOLUTION OF THE TORRES MARTINEZ DESERT CAHUILLA INDIANS IN SUPPORT OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF IMPERIAL AND THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE ON THE SALTON SEA

RESOLUTION #TM 05-19-005

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2018, the County of Imperial, a political subdivision of the State of California, and the County of Riverside, a political subdivision of the State of California (Counties) entered into a Memorandum of Understanding representing a mutual good faith commitment and common goals made in the spirit of cooperation and collaboration to benefit the Salton Sea.

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the County of Imperial and the County of Riverside to work together with other local agencies in a collaborative manner and support common goals to further Salton Sea restoration and management efforts as well as the development potential of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Counties encourage outreach to the surrounding communities and seek supportive resolutions from all cities and other agencies. The Parties welcome cities other agencies to join and assist them in efforts that are supportive of the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the inflow of water to the Salton Sea has decreased and pursuant to the Quantification Settlement Agreement, mitigation water inflows ended on December 31, 2017, and without restoration or stabilization measures, the Salton Sea will rapidly decline; and

WHEREAS, the State of California ("State") has developed the Salton Sea Management Program ("SSMP) through departments within the California Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Agencies and is obligated to pay for certain costs related to habitat, air and water quality issues at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, the state has developed the 10-year SSMP plan and identified a phased series of projects, the state has not appropriated all the necessary SSMP funding. The Salton Sea is at substantial risk of irreversible damage and threatens wildlife and public health; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Counties to take coordinated and cooperative action with other agencies to further stabilize the Salton Sea on such restoration efforts which would protect and improve public health, air quality, and wildlife habitat; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of both Counties to work together with local agencies on agreed projects and financing mechanisms such as an Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District ("EIFD") that would support projects and stimulate economic development around the Sea; and

WHEREAS, both Counties recognize and support the immense value of working together with other local agencies to enhance opportunities for renewable energy and geothermal development to the region by providing reliable, affordable energy in furtherance of the State's Renewable Portfolio Standard and Greenhouse Gas Reduction goals and could provide funding for Salton Sea infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the benefits of said integrated projects would include economic development, recreational activity, and reduction in air quality impacts as well as optimize the potential opportunities at the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, California law requires the California Natural Resources Agency to develop a Salton Sea plan in cooperation and consultation with local agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians supports the common goal of a locally managed and more efficient process to expedite projects at the Salton Sea to avert a further decline at the Salton Sea.

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians to improve the public health, economic opportunity and overall quality of life of the disadvantaged communities around the Salton Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians to support public-private partnerships and will assist private entities to define and develop projects around the Salton Sea; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians hereby adopts this Resolution and agrees to a collaborative partnership and a unified strategy to support common goals which would stabilize and restore the Salton Sea.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was considered and adopted at a duly called meeting of the Tribal Council of the Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians on the 17 day of May 2019, at which a quorum was present with 4 in favor, 2 opposed, and 4 abstaining.

Thomas Tortez, Jr., Chairman

Altrena Santillanes, Secretary