

Resolution No.
County Administration Building
Santa Rosa, California

Date

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SONOMA COUNTY WATER AGENCY AUTHORIZING THE AGENCY'S GENERAL MANAGER/CHIEF ENGINEER TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT FOR RUSSIAN RIVER WATERSHED CLEANUP 2009 BETWEEN THE SONOMA COUNTY WATER AGENCY AND THE SONOMA COUNTY CONSERVATION COUNCIL (\$8,000), IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM AS THE DRAFT PRESENTED TO THIS BOARD, FOLLOWING REVIEW AND APPROVAL BY COUNTY COUNSEL AS TO FORM AND BY RISK MANAGEMENT AS TO INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS, AND AUTHORIZING THE AGENCY'S GENERAL MANAGER/CHIEF ENGINEER TO EXECUTE FUTURE AGREEMENTS FOR THE RUSSIAN RIVER WATERSHED CLEANUP AND AGREEMENTS AND PAYMENTS FOR SPONSORSHIP OF SIMILAR RUSSIAN RIVER WATERSHED CLEANUP EVENTS UP TO \$10,000, SO LONG AS CERTAIN CONDITIONS ARE MET.

WHEREAS, the Russian River Watershed Cleanup (Cleanup) is a non-profit, volunteer event organized by the Russian River Watershed Cleanup Committee under the Sonoma County Conservation Council, with the primary objective of improving the aquatic habitat and water quality of the Russian River; and

WHEREAS, the Sonoma County Water Agency (Agency) has previously sponsored the Cleanup through the Fisheries Enhancement Plan; and

WHEREAS, in previous years, the Cleanup has also received sponsorship from other organizations, but this funding has become scarcer and the Agency's assistance is now even more crucial to the success of this effort; and

WHEREAS, the Cleanup is an opportunity for the Agency to further its efforts to improve water quality and habitat for listed salmonids on the Russian River; and

WHEREAS, the Agency's Board of Directors has delegated authority to the General Manager/Chief Engineer of the Agency to execute specific types of licenses, agreements and contracts, which significantly reduces the administrative time and cost of managing the Agency's work; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has the opportunity to participate in many events similar to the Cleanup carried out by other entities that coincide with the Agency's mission; currently, Board authorization is required for any agreement or funding of such events; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager/Chief Engineer has advised this Board and this Board agrees that participation in the Cleanup and similar events furthers the Agency's mission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Sonoma County Water Agency hereby finds, determines, and declares as follows:

1. All of the above recitals are true and correct.
2. The General Manager/Chief Engineer is authorized to execute the Agreement for Russian River Watershed Cleanup 2009 between the Sonoma County Water Agency and the Sonoma County Conservation Council (\$8,000), in substantially the form as the draft presented to this Board, following review and approval by County Counsel as to form and by Risk Management as to insurance requirements.
3. The General Manager/Chief Engineer is authorized to execute additional Russian River watershed cleanup funding agreements with public agencies and non-profits, so long as:
 - a. funding for the project is available from Sonoma County Water Agency's accounts;
 - b. the agreements do not exceed \$10,000 for any event;
 - c. the agreements are in a form approved by County Counsel;
 - d. the General Manager/Chief Engineer determines that actions are necessary to the Agency's mission and responsibilities.

DIRECTORS:

BROWN:	KERNS:	ZANE:	CARRILLO:	KELLEY:
Ayes	Noes	Absent	Abstain	

SO ORDERED.