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AGENDA DATE: October 23, 2018

Public Hearing Required	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Published Notice Required	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advertised Published Notice	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
County Counsel Sign-Off	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Meet & Confer Required	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Personnel Resolution attached	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

CONTACT PERSON: Denise England PHONE: 636-5000

SUBJECT: Support of the Success Reservoir Enlargement Project

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

Approve a resolution supporting the Success Reservoir Enlargement Project

SUMMARY:

The Success Reservoir Enlargement Project began nearly three decades ago. The project is a partnership between the Army Corps of Engineers, the City of Porterville, several irrigation districts (as part of the Tule River Improvement Joint Powers Authority), and the County. The project includes raising the spillway by 10 feet which will increase flood protection for communities below the reservoir, as well as increase the region's water storage capabilities. The project has been delayed for more than a decade by studies and federal funding cuts.

The Project was authorized in 1999 for \$17.9 million and work began in 2003. However, in 2005 due to dam safety concerns the Project was stopped. Over the past decade costs have increased as have local cost share.

On July 5, 2018 Congressman Kevin McCarthy announced that \$74 million in federal funding was being made available for the Success Reservoir Enlargement Project. Funding at this level will not require local cost sharing as this amount will cover the Project's cost in totality.

On August 13, 2018 the Tulare County Water Commission considered the Success Reservoir Enlargement Project with this funding and recommended that the Board adopt a resolution in support.

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FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

N/A

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

The County's Strategic Plan includes an initiative to provide for the safety and security of the public which includes the goal of providing an adequate and safe water supply.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:



Denise England
Water Resources Program Director

cc: County Administrative Office

Attachment(s) N/A

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

WHEREAS, In February 2018, Congress passed and the President signed into law the Bipartisan Budget Act (Public Law 115-123), which provided over \$15 billion in funding to the Army Corps of Engineers to construct flood and storm damage reduction projects, such as the Success Reservoir Enlargement Project (SREP); and

WHEREAS, Congress authorized the SREP in the Water Resources Development Act of 1999 at \$17.9M as a flood control project; and

WHEREAS, Construction of the SREP started in 2003, but was put on hold in 2005 following potential safety concerns with Success Dam. These safety concerns have been resolved, but SREP costs increased over this period of time; and

WHEREAS, following more than a decade of delay, this funding will enable the Army Corps of Engineers to complete the necessary environmental and design work and then construct the project; and

WHEREAS, according to the Tule River Improvement Joint Powers Authority, the SREP will significantly increase flood protection for the City of Porterville and other communities below the dam, as well as more than 400,000 acres of valuable farmland; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED The Tulare County Board of Supervisors hereby supports the Success Reservoir Enlargement Project.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR _____, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR _____, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OFFICIAL MEETING HELD _____, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:
NOES:

ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

ATTEST: MICHAEL C. SPATA
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: _____
Deputy Clerk

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