

RESOLUTION NO. .

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) WITH THE SAN MATEO RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT (RCD) INCORPORATING CLIMATE RESILIENCE ACTIVITIES, EXTENDING THE AGREEMENT TERM THROUGH MARCH 8, 2028, AND INCREASING THE AMOUNT BY \$4,000,000 TO AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$5,000,000

RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, that

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2021 the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 078059 authorizing the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the San Mateo Resource Conservation District (RCD) in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 and for a period of five (5) years through March 8, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the RCD is a special district focused on connecting communities and providing technical, financial, and educational assistance to conserve and manage natural resources and adapt to a changing climate; and

WHEREAS, an amendment to the MOU will allow the Department of Public Works (Department) to continue partnering with the RCD on watershed protection and climate resilience activities and projects specific to the Department's infrastructure and operational activities in order to comply with environmental regulatory requirements, such as Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) planning and implementation and endangered species recovery actions, and to protect natural resources and improve

infrastructure reliability in the face of climate-driven drought, fire, sea level rise, flooding, and coastal erosion; and

WHEREAS, the Department, in collaboration with the RCD, Sustainability Department, and Parks Department, was recently selected for \$1,500,000 in funding through the California State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) Nonpoint Source 319(h) (Grant) grant program for the Pescadero Creek Watershed Roads Sediment Reduction Program Project and the Little Butano Creek at Cloverdale Road Sediment Reduction Project; and

WHEREAS, these projects include three TMDL priority culvert replacements at County-maintained roadway creek crossings, which will be implemented by the RCD and funded through the MOU; and

WHEREAS, natural resource protection and infrastructure reliability in the face of drought, fire, sea level rise, flooding, and coastal erosion are priorities for the Department and require community-focused collaboration and planning; and

WHEREAS, compliance with enhanced natural resource and watershed protection requirements, as well as improving infrastructure reliability, require additional planning, implementation, and coordination with multiple stakeholders that can extend beyond the Department's current in-house capacity or expertise; and

WHEREAS, the County owned closed Half Moon Bay Landfill and County governed small rural water systems (County Service Area No. 7 [CSA 7] in La Honda

and County Service Area No. 11 [CSA 11] in Pescadero) face significant challenges related to climate-driven drought, wildfire risk, sea level rise, and infrastructure aging, and addressing these challenges requires collaboration and grant funding; and

WHEREAS, the RCD's expertise in watershed management, conservation, climate adaptation planning, and community-based collaboration can be leveraged to assist with planning, funding, and implementation of projects that improve the resilience and sustainability of the closed Half Moon Bay Landfill and the County-operated water systems; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works is recommending an amendment to the MOU increasing the amount by \$4,000,000 to an amount not to exceed \$5,000,000 and extending the term through March 8, 2028; and

WHEREAS, this Board has considered and concurs with the recommendation of the Director of Public Works.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DETERMINED AND ORDERED that the:

1. Board of Supervisors be and is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Amendment No. 1 to the Memorandum of Understanding Amendment between the County of San Mateo Department of Public Works and the San Mateo Resource Conservation District, for and on behalf of the County of San Mateo, and the Clerk of the Board shall attest to the President's signature thereto.

2. Authority is given to the Director of Public Works or designee to execute amendments to the Memorandum of Understanding to modify the County's maximum fiscal obligation by no more than \$25,000 (in aggregate), and/or modify the contract term and/or services as long as the modified term of services is/are within the current or revised fiscal provision.

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