

**THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA**  
**and for Special Districts, Agencies and Authorities Governed by the Board**

Adopted this Resolution on 05/23/2023 by the following vote:

**AYE:**   
**NO:**   
**ABSENT:**   
**ABSTAIN:**   
**RECUSE:**



**Resolution No. 2023/193**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF CONTRA COSTA COUNTY AUTHORIZING SUPPORT OF A GRANT FUNDING APPLICATION TO THE CALIFORNIA SACRAMENTO-SAN JOAQUIN DELTA CONSERVANCY FOR PHASE ONE OF THE WETLAND MOSAIC LANDSCAPE PROJECT ON WEBB TRACT IN CONTRA COSTA COUNTY.

**WHEREAS**, the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD) proposes a two-phase project;

**WHEREAS**, Phase one, the planning phase will include design, environmental documentation, pre-construction monitoring, permitting, and public outreach;

**WHEREAS**, Phase two, the implementation phase, will look construct up to 3,000 acres of managed, flooded wetlands and up to 1,500 acres of rice fields on Webb Tract. The acreages and precise locations within the Tract will be determined through the planning process;

**WHEREAS**, The main objectives of the Project are to stop ongoing organic soil subsidence, reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions generated through increased carbon sequestration opportunities, develop sustainable agriculture opportunities, investigate sustainable water management practices, and study how managed wetlands may augment the Delta pelagic food web;

**WHEREAS**, MWD's Project aims to develop a mosaic of land covers that may include grassland/upland habitat, willow riparian scrub, and other habitat types in addition to managed wetlands and rice;

**WHEREAS**, MWD will work with local interested parties, farmers, and a design firm to develop the mosaic of expected land uses that are consistent with the existing topography;

**WHEREAS**, The Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy is considering a two-phased funding approach. The first phase of funding, \$3,221,199, would support the planning phase including initial design plans, environmental compliance and permitting, pre-construction monitoring, and public outreach.

**WHEREAS**, The County, reserves judgment about supporting the second phase of funding, \$17,686,172, until such time project details are specified;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

1. FIND that the recited facts are true;
2. RESOLVE that Contra Costa County supports the phase one, grant application to the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy, for the planning and design of the Wetland Mosaic Landscape Project on Webb Tract proposed by the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California.

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

**ATTESTED: May 23, 2023**

Monica Nino, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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**cc:**