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Mr. Tom Birmingham General Manager Westlands Water District P.O. Box 6056 Fresno, CA 93703-6056

Subject: Renewal of Agreement (Agreement) in Principle for Potential Sharing of Costs of

Enlarging Shasta Dam and Reservoir

Dear Mr. Birmingham:

Enclosed for your records is a copy of the fully executed subject Agreement by and between the Bureau of Reclamation and the Westlands Water District. This Agreement is replacing the original expiration date of September 30, 2012, with the new expiration date of September 30, 2017.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Katrina Chow at 916-978-5067 or kchow@usbr.gov.

Sincerely,

Regional Director

Enclosure

### AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE

#### FOR

# POTENTIAL SHARING OF COSTS OF ENLARGING SHASTA DAM AND RESERVOIR BETWEEN

# THE BUREAU OF RECLAMATION AND

#### THE WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT

THIS AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE is made and entered into by the Westlands Water District (WWD) and the Bureau of Reclamation, collectively referred to here as "Parties," pursuant to the Act of Congress approved June 17, 1902, (32 Stat. 388), and acts amendatory thereof or supplementary thereto, all of which are commonly known and referred to as Reclamation Law; the Feasibility Study Act, 1980 (P.L. 96-375); and the Water Supply, Reliability, and Environmental Improvement Act, 2004 (P.L. 108-361).

A. The CALFED Record of Decision, dated August 28, 2000, stated that expanding water storage capacity is critical to the successful implementation of all aspects of the CALFED Program. The CALFED Record of Decision identified five potential projects for further study that would increase water storage capacity: In-Delta Storage, Shasta Dam and Reservoir Enlargement, North-of-the-Delta Offstream Storage (Sites Reservoir), Los Vaqueros Reservoir Expansion, and Upper San Joaquin River Basin Storage. Reclamation has expended funds toward the feasibility study of enlarging Shasta Dam and Reservoir as identified in the CALFED Record of Decision.

- B. Reclamation, as the Federal partner, may be willing to enter into formal negotiations for the sharing of costs to enlarge Shasta Dam and Reservoir, contingent upon the following:
  - 1. Completion of the Feasibility Report, Environmental Impact Statement, and Record of Decision.
  - 2. Feasibility Report findings of a Federal interest in implementing the proposed action.
  - 3. Feasibility Report findings that the proposed action has engineering, environmental, economic, and financial feasibility.
  - 4. Feasibility Report recommendation to Congress to construct/implement a proposed action.
  - 5. Enactment of Congressional legislation to authorize construction of a proposed action/project and to appropriate funds for such project.
  - 6. Costs are allocated in accordance with the authorizing legislation.

Water rights permits, if any, are acquired by either or both parties from the State of California for the project.

- C. WWD, as the local partner, may be willing to enter into formal negotiations for the sharing of costs to enlarge Shasta Dam and Reservoir contingent upon the following:
  - 1. Completion of the Feasibility Report, Environmental Impact Statement, and Record of Decision by Reclamation.
  - 2. Feasibility Report findings that the proposed action has engineering, environmental, economic, and financial feasibility acceptable to WWD.
  - 3. Feasibility Report recommendation to Congress to construct/implement a proposed action.
  - 4. Enactment of Congressional legislation to authorize construction of project modifications.
- D. At any time, either Party may terminate this Agreement in Principle upon 60 days written notification to the other Party.
- E. This Agreement in Principle does not preclude 3rd party agreements for sharing the cost of enlarging Shasta Dam and Reservoir.
- F. This Agreement in Principle does not bind either Party to enter into formal negotiations with the other Party for the sharing of costs to construct the project, even if all of the conditions described in B. and C. have been met.
- G. This Agreement in Principle shall terminate on September 30, 2017, unless otherwise amended or extended by written, mutual consent of the Parties.
- H. Notwithstanding the execution of an agreement to share in the costs to construct the project between the Parties, the United States' share of the costs is contingent upon appropriations by Congress. The expenditure, advance, or proposed obligation of any funds, or the performance of any other obligation of the United States under this Agreement, is contingent upon appropriation or allotment of funds in accordance with Section 1341 of Title 31 of the United States Code. The Parties hereby acknowledge and agree that no liability will accrue to the United States for any failure to perform any obligation under this Agreement, in the event that funds are not appropriated or allotted.
- I. Notices and information to be exchanged between Reclamation and WWD on the administration of this Agreement should be sent to:

Bureau of Reclamation Mid-Pacific Region Regional Planning Officer 2800 Cottage Way, MP-700 Sacramento, CA 95825 916-978-5062 Deputy General Manager - Resources Westlands Water District P.O. Box 6056 Fresno, CA 93703-6056 559-241-6215

The Parties have executed this Agreement in Principle on this _	day of	, 201 <b>4</b> .
WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT	March 26	2014
Tom Birmingham General Manager	Date	70017
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF RECLAMATION		·
De Sid G. Murillo	4-22-14 Date	
Regional Director Mid-Pacific Region	Date	