ADDENDUM No. 4 TO THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE JURUPA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT RECYCLED WATER SERVICE EXPANSION (DISTRICT PROJECT NO. C133656)

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1. Introduction:

The Jurupa Community Services District Recycled Water Service Expansion Project entails the planning, design, and construction of an 800 HP booster station at the Western Riverside County Regional Wastewater Authority's Treatment Plant. The Project will construct 16,900 LF of 24" diameter transmission pipeline from the booster station through River Road to Helman Ave going up north along Helman Ave to the American Heroes Park. In addition, a total of 37,985 LF of distribution pipeline system with diameters ranging from 8" to 18" will be constructed covering the northern part of the City of Eastvale within Jurupa Community Services District's (JCSD's) service area generally along 65th Street and Scholar Way as illustrated in the attached Appendix A Baseline Alternative Facility Map . The Project will deliver an estimated 661 acre-feet per year (AFY) of recycled water to provide direct use irrigation sources for multiple public lands including, but not limited to, parks, schools, and streetscapes that currently use potable water for irrigation. Further, the project will provide: 1) additional non-potable water for private agricultural enterprises, 2) the best alignment to support future lateral expansion within the City of Eastvale and 3) the greatest opportunity for future interagency connectivity.

The Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (CEQA and CEQA-Plus) for the Jurupa Community Services District Recycled Water Service Expansion (SCH No. 2015071073) was circulated for a 30-day public review period from July 29, 2015 to August 27, 2015, pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15073 (hereinafter the "2015 MND"). The 2015 MND and a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) were approved by the JCSD Board of Directors on September 28, 2015 and are included as Appendix B to this addendum.

Subsequent to adoption of the 2015 MND, minor changes to the Original Project were proposed. These changes consisted of eliminating the recycled water pump station and water reservoir in the City of Ontario and the recycled water pipelines in Carpenter Street between Edison Avenue and Schaefer Avenue and in Schaefer Avenue between Carpenter Street and Baker Avenue. Instead of the recycled water pump station and reservoir proposed in the City of Ontario, a pump station was proposed in the American Heroes Park. This new location would eliminate the loss of Prime Farmland and would not require construction of a reservoir or construction of the water pipelines along Carpenter Street, from Eucalyptus Avenue to Schaefer Avenue or in Schaefer Avenue between Carpenter Street and Baker Avenue.

Addendum No. 1 to the 2015 MND was adopted by the JCSD Board of Directors on September 28, 2015 and the Notice of Determination (NOD) was filed with the Riverside County Clerk on October 1, 2015 and the State Clearinghouse on November 11, 2015. Because a financial assistance application was submitted to the State Water Resources Control Board, Addendum No. 1 was transmitted to the State Clearinghouse for a fifteen day review period from November 13, 2015 to November 30, 2015. (Addendum No. 1 is included as Appendix C.)

Subsequent to the adoption of Addendum No. 1 to the 2015 MND, additional minor changes to the Original Project were proposed and documented in Addendum No. 2. These changes extended the recycled water pipeline in Schleisman Road approximately 2,477 feet west in Pine Avenue past Hellman Avenue into the City of Ontario. (Schleisman Road turns into Pine Avenue at the City boundary.) This pipeline extension provides a second connection to existing Inland Empire Utilities Agency infrastructure. No other revisions to the Original Project were proposed in Addendum No. 2.

Addendum No. 2 to the 2015 MND was adopted by the JCSD Board of Directors on May 9, 2016 (Resolution No. 2644) and the NOD was filed with both the Riverside and San Bernardino County Clerks on May 10, 2016. The NOD was also filed with the State Clearinghouse on May 10, 2016 for a 15-day review period, as required for projects that apply for SRF assistance through the SWRCB.(Addendum No. 2 is included as Appendix D.)

Subsequent to the adoption of Addendum No. 1 and No. 2 to the 2015 MND, additional minor changes to the Original Project were proposed and documented in Addendum No. 3. The changes extended the recycled water pipeline within Hamner Avenue (aka Milliken Avenue) from Bellegrave Avenue to a point of connection located approximately 1,800 feet to the north. The pipeline connects to the City of Ontario's recycled water system. Notably, the centerline of Hamner Avenue marks the dividing line between the City of Eastvale/Riverside County to the east and the City of Ontario/San Bernardino County to the west. The purpose of this pipeline extension is to provide a second point of connection to the City of Ontario's recycled water infrastructure for system reliability and redundancy. No other revisions to the Original Project are proposed.

Addendum No. 3 to the 2015 MND was adopted by the JCSD Board of Directors on August 13, 2018 (Resolution No. 2895) and the NOD was filed with both the Riverside and San Bernardino County Clerks on August 17, 2018. The NOD was also filed with the State Clearinghouse on August 16, 2021 for a 15-day review period, as required for projects that apply for SRF assistance through the SWRCB.(Addendum No. 3 is included as Appendix E.)

2. Project Modification Description:

Since the approval of the original project and the three minor modifications (as described in Section 1 of this addendum), a fourth minor project modification has occurred that needs to be addressed within the context of CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines. The Jurupa Community Services District is proposing to obtain financial assistance for the approved project through the Local Resources Program (LRP) that is administered by The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (Metropolitan). The LRP provides financial incentives to public and private water agencies to encourage local development of water recycling, groundwater recovery and seawater desalination.

Metropolitan offers three different LRP incentive payment structure alternatives to choose from:

Alternative 1: Sliding scale incentives, recalculated annually based on eligible project costs incurred each year and Metropolitan's applicable water rates, up to \$340/AF over 25 years;

Alternative 2: Sliding scale incentives up to \$475/AF over 15 years; and

Alternative 3: Fixed incentive up to \$305/AF over 25 years.

The Jurupa Community Services District has chosen the Alternative 1. As the Lead Agency, Jurupa Community Services District has prepared this addendum to the previously adopted Mitigated Negative Declaration in support of its discretionary action to comply with CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines. For this proposed project modification, Metropolitan will act as a Responsible Agency.

3. Minor Technical Additions

This addendum has been prepared since partnering in the original project would require a discretionary action by the Lead Agency's decision making body.

On July 21, 2021, the Jurupa Community Services District submitted the proposal on the Jurupa Community Services District Recycled Water Service Expansion Project to Metropolitan. As the Responsible Agency, Metropolitan's Board of Directors will review and consider the proposal and environmental documentation prepared by Jurupa Community Services District in determining whether or not to approve financial assistance for the project within the LRP administrative process.

The proposed project modification (i.e., a partnership with Metropolitan in the LRP for the Jurupa Community Services District Recycled Water Service Expansion Project would be consistent with Metropolitan's commitment to develop LRP activities that would increase water supply reliability and avoid or defer Metropolitan capital expenditures.

Therefore, this minor technical change and further clarification to the original project has no impact on water supplies or water quality within the Lead Agency's service area. Instead, the proposed project modification is an administrative and fiscal action.

4. Basis for Preparation of Addendum:

Section 15164(b) of the State CEQA Guidelines states, "An addendum to an adopted negative declaration may be prepared if only minor technical changes or additions are necessary or none of the conditions described in Section 15162 calling for the preparation of a subsequent EIR or negative declaration have occurred."

The proposed modification to the original project would not result in a tangible change in the physical environment. As the Lead Agency for the proposed project modification, Jurupa Community Services District is issuing this addendum in accordance with the State CEQA Guidelines (Section 15164). The minor textual additions provided herein are not considered to 1) constitute a substantial change in the project as originally proposed and subsequently modified through Addendum Nos. 1 through 3 to the MND by the Jurupa Community Services District, 2) lead to substantial changes in the circumstances under which the project is undertaken, or 3) constitute new information of substantial importance. Accordingly, an addendum was prepared as opposed to a negative declaration or a subsequent environmental impact report.

Appendix ABaseline Alternative Facility Map

Appendix A: Base Alternative

