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1	THIS AGREEMENT, made this day of, 2024, pursuant
2	to the Reclamation Act of 1902 as amended (32 Stat. 388; 43 U.S.C. Part 391); including the Ac
3	of February 21, 1911 (36 Stat. 925), the Reclamation Project Act of 1939, as amended (53 Stat.
4	1187; 43 U.S.C. Part 485); the San Luis Act of 1960, as amended (Public Law 86-488, 74 Stat.
5	156); the Reclamation Safety of Dams Act of 1978 (Public Law 95-578, 92 Stat. 2471); the
6	Reclamation Reform Act of 1982, as amended (Public Law 97-293, 96 Stat. 1261); and Section
7	305 of the Reclamation States Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1991, enacted March 5, 1992
8	(106 Stat. 59), the Central Valley Project Improvement Act of 1992, as amended (Public Law
9	102-575, 106 Stat. 4706); and the Water Infrastructure Improvement for the Nation Act of 2016
10	(Public Law 114-322, 130 Stat. 1865); made between the UNITED STATES BUREAU OF
11	RECLAMATION hereinafter the United States or Reclamation, and represented by the officer

- executing this Agreement, hereinafter referred to as the Contracting Officer, and the SAN LUIS
- 43 & DELTA-MENDOTA WATER AUTHORITY, hereinafter referred to as the Authority,
- individually referred to as "Party" and collectively referred to as "Parties".

EXPLANATORY RECITALS

- 16 [1st] WHEREAS, the United States has constructed and is operating the Central Valley
- 17 Project ("CVP") for diversion, storage, carriage, and distribution of waters of the Sacramento
- 18 River, the American River, the Trinity River, and the San Joaquin River and their tributaries for
- irrigation and other beneficial uses to serve CVP purposes; and
- 20 [2nd] WHEREAS, the United States holds title, and plans to continue to hold title to the
- 21 B.F. Sisk Dam and San Luis Reservoir and authorized features of the San Luis Unit as provided
- for in the San Luis Act of 1960; and

- 23 [3rd] WHEREAS, the San Luis Act of 1960 (Public Law 86 488, 74 Stat. 156)
- 24 authorized the Secretary of the Interior to construct, operate, and maintain an afterbay, forebay,
- conveyance facilities, and dam and Reservoir for the joint use by the State of California and the
- 26 United States, and as provided in Section 2 of the Act, the Secretary was authorized to enter into
- an agreement with the State of California to provide for the coordinated operation of the San
- Luis Unit, which resulted in a 1961 Joint Coordination Agreement and subsequent amendatory
- and supplemental agreements of 1972 and 1997; and
- WHEREAS, the United States was authorized to construct the San Luis Unit of
- 31 the CVP, a joint use project, shared with the State of California and administered through the
- 32 Department of Water Resources, hereinafter referred to as "DWR," the operations of which are
- 33 coordinated between Reclamation and DWR consistent with the 1961 Agreement and all
- 34 supplements and amendments; and

35	[5 th] WHEREAS, consistent with the San Luis Act of 1960, Reclamation and DWR
36	share responsibility for the costs of operation, maintenance, and replacement of B.F. Sisk Dam
37	and San Luis Reservoir, consistent with the 1961 Agreement Between the United States of
38	America and The Department of Water Resources of the State of California for the Operation of
39	the San Luis Unit and all supplements and amendments, Contract No. 14-06-200-9755 (1961
40	Agreement); and
41	[6 th] WHEREAS, Reclamation and DWR share responsibility for coordinating
42	operations of the CVP and the State Water Project, hereinafter referred to as "SWP," and for
43	meeting Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta water quality objectives and other operational
44	requirements pursuant to the 1986 Coordinated Operations Agreement between Reclamation and
45	DWR, as amended; and
46	[7 th] WHEREAS, Reclamation, in coordination with DWR, initiated extraordinary
47	maintenance work for the B.F. Sisk Safety of Dams Modification Project to improve the safety
48	of the continued operation and maintenance of aforementioned dam; and
49	[8 th] WHEREAS, consistent with Reclamation's Directives and Standards at CMP 09-
50	02 and FAC 06-05, Reclamation is authorized to assess the feasibility of increasing San Luis
51	Reservoir storage capacity in conjunction with the Safety of Dams improvements to determine if
52	there are additional project benefits and to ensure that it is in the best interest of the United
53	States; and
54	[9 th] WHEREAS, in accordance with the Reclamation Safety of Dams Act of 1978
55	(Public Law 95-578, 92 Stat. 2471) and 43 U.S.C. § 509 b, to develop additional project benefits,
56	through the B.F. Sisk Dam Safety of Dams Modification Report, in December 2020, the
57	Expansion Project was determined to be feasible; and

58	[10 th] WHEREAS, following the finding of feasibility, in accordance with §4007 of the
59	Water Infrastructure and Improvement for the Nation Act, hereinafter referred to as "WIIN"
60	(Public Law 114-322), on October 20, 2023, Congress authorized construction and associated
61	funding for the B.F. Sisk Dam Raise and Reservoir Expansion Project; and
62	[11th] WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 4007(e) of the WIIN Act, which
63	provides "[s]ubject to compliance with State water rights laws, the right to use capacity of a
64	federally owned storage project shall be allocated in such a manner as may be mutually
65	agreed to by the Secretary of the Interior and each party to the agreement," the Parties agree that
66	this Agreement, as may be amended, provides for the mutually agreeable use of the Expanded
67	Reservoir to the extent consistent with Federal Law; and
68	[12 th] WHEREAS, the Authority certified, and Reclamation signed, a Record of
69	Decision on October 20, 2023, for the Environmental Impact Statement/Report entitled B.F. Sisk
70	Dam Raise and Reservoir Expansion Project, selecting the Dam Raise Alternative; and
71	[13 th] WHEREAS, consistent with WIIN §4007(b)(2), Reclamation and the Authority
72	agree to enter into this Agreement for up to 50% Federal share of the costs of the Expansion
73	Project including, but not limited to, planning, design, and construction, and as further defined in
74	this Agreement; and
75	[14th] WHEREAS, consistent with WIIN §4007(e), Reclamation representing the United
76	States, and the Authority, through the B.F. Sisk Dam Raise and Reservoir Expansion Project
77	Activity Agreement, as may be amended or supplemented, representing Investors who will
78	collectively share in the costs and benefits of the Expansion Project, desire to use the Expansion
79	Project in a such a manner as may be mutually agreeable to the Parties hereto; and

[15th] WHEREAS, other agreements and/or contracts necessary for commencing design, construction, and/or operation of the Expanded Reservoir may be necessary and may be incorporated into this Agreement, and which may include, but are not limited to, a contributed funds agreement providing for the contribution of funds from Federal cost share partners (§4007(b)(3)(b)) and §4011(e)(2)), an OM&R Agreement, a Repayment Contract providing for repayment of reimbursable obligations (§4007(b)(3)(c) and 4011(e)(2)), as appropriate, a Spend Plan; and a Coordination Agreement; and which may require further delegation of authority from the Commissioner of Reclamation to negotiate and make a part of this Agreement; and NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties desire to manage the additional capacity associated with the expansion of San Luis Reservoir and share in the costs pertaining to the Expanded Reservoir consistent with and in consideration of the mutual and dependent covenants herein, the Parties hereto agree as follows:

DEFINITIONS

- 1. When used herein unless otherwise distinctly expressed, or manifestly incompatible with the intent of the Parties as expressed in this Agreement, the term:
- 95 (a) "Acquired Project Water" shall mean Project Water acquired by an
 96 Investor, from another CVP Water Service/Repayment Contractor, CVP Settlement Contractor,
 97 San Joaquin River Exchange Contractor, any other CVP contractor, or from Reclamation.
- 98 (b) "Calendar Year" shall mean the period January 1 through December 31, 99 both dates inclusive.

- "Contracting Officer" shall mean the Secretary of the Interior's duly 100 (c) 101 authorized representative acting pursuant to this Agreement or applicable Federal Reclamation law or regulation. 102 (d) "Contributed Funds Agreement" shall mean the agreement by which the 103 104 Authority contributes to the cost of the Expansion Project, entered into pursuant to the Sundry Civil Appropriations Act of March 4, 1921 (Pub. L. 66-389; 41 Stat. 1404; 43 USC 395). 105 "Coordination Agreement" shall mean the agreement provided for in (e) 106 subarticle 4(j) of this Agreement. 107 (f) "Expanded Reservoir" shall mean the combined volume of storage in the 108 109 Federal Share and the Investor Share of the expanded San Luis Reservoir resulting from the Expansion Project. 110 "Expansion Project" shall mean the B.F. Sisk Dam Raise and Reservoir 111 (g) 112
 - (g) "Expansion Project" shall mean the B.F. Sisk Dam Raise and Reservoir Expansion Project, consistent with the Record of Decision, dated October 20, 2023, as may be amended or supplemented, which would raise B.F. Sisk Dam an additional ten feet and provide an additional estimated 130 thousand acre feet (TAF) of storage in San Luis Reservoir.

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- 115 (h) "Federal Share of Expanded Reservoir" shall mean the storage volume of 116 the Expanded Reservoir commensurate with the Federal level of investment in the Expansion 117 Project.
- 118 (i) "Federal Share of Historic Reservoir" shall mean the storage volume of 119 966 TAF in the Historic Reservoir.

120	(j) "Historic Reservoir" shall mean the total storage volume of 2.028 Million
121	Acre-Feet ("MAF") in San Luis Reservoir.
122	(k) "Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir" shall mean the storage volume of
123	the Expanded Reservoir commensurate with the Investors' level of investment in the Expansion
124	Project.
125	(l) "Investors" shall mean those entities and/or organizations that are
126	represented by the Authority pursuant to the B.F. Sisk Dam Raise and Reservoir Expansion
127	Project Activity Agreement and all supplements and amendments.
128	(m) "Municipal and Industrial Water Shortage Policy" or "M&I Water
129	Shortage Policy" shall mean the policy intended to provide clear and objective guidelines on the
130	water supplies available from the CVP during a Condition of Shortage, as that term is defined in
131	the Water Service/Repayment Contracts.
132	(n) "Non-Project Water" shall mean all water acquired that has not been
133	appropriated or acquired by the United States and as further described herein.
134	(o) "Operation, Maintenance and Replacement Agreement" or "OM&R
135	Agreement" shall mean the agreement between the United States and the Authority providing for
136	the operation, maintenance, and replacement of the Expansion Project.
137	(p) "Parties" shall mean Reclamation on behalf of the United States and the

Authority on behalf of the Investors.

139	(q	4)	"Project Water" shall mean all water that is developed, diverted, stored, or
140	delivered by the	Secre	etary in accordance with the statutes authorizing the Project and in
141	accordance with	the te	erms and conditions of water rights acquired pursuant to California law.
142	(r)	:)	"Repayment Contract" shall mean a new contract resulting from the
143	Expansion Project	ct, if	any, the purpose of which is to recover any reimbursable costs, entered into
144	pursuant to Section	ion 9(c)(1) and/or 9(d) of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939, as amended.
145	(s)	s)	"San Luis Reservoir" shall mean the Historic Reservoir and the Expanded
146	Reservoir.		
147	(t)	:)	"San Luis Rescheduling Guidelines" shall mean the Rescheduling
148	Guidelines for th	ne Fed	deral Share of Storage in San Luis Reservoir, Central Valley Project,
149	California Great	Basin	Region, dated January 31, 2022, as may be amended or superseded,
150	which apply only	y to tl	ne Historic Reservoir.
151	(u	1)	"Spend Plan" shall mean the plan provided for in subarticle 3(e) of this
152	Agreement.		
153	(v	v)	"Substantial Completion" shall have the same meaning as defined in FAC
154	01-05 as amende	ed or	supplemented.
155	(w	w)	"Water Master/Manager" shall mean the individual provided for in
156	subarticle 4(c)(3))(i) o	f this Agreement.
157	(x	K)	"Year" shall mean the period from and including March 1 of each Calendar
158	Year through the	e last	day of February of the following Calendar Year.

TERM OF AGREEMENT

160 2. (a) This Agreement is effective on the date hereinabove written, and will remain in full force during the duration of the useful life of the Project or until terminated.

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- (b) The Contracting Officer may terminate this Agreement at any time before the expiration of its term whenever the Contracting Officer determines that the Authority is in substantial violation of the Agreement as provided in this subarticle 2(b) or otherwise in violation of Federal law or Reclamation Policy; provided, that prior to the effective date of any such termination, the Contracting Officer shall first notify the Authority in writing of, the specific purported deficiencies of the Authority in carrying out the terms and conditions of this Agreement. It is the intent of the Parties that disputes be resolved pursuant to this subarticle 2(b) as expeditiously as is reasonably possible without the necessity of other relief at law or in equity. If after the designated representative of the Authority has met with the Contracting Officer or his or her designated representative and attempt in good faith and with the use of best efforts to resolve any dispute arising from the purported deficiency an agreement is not reached, the Contracting Officer may issue a notice of proposed termination, which includes the specific deficiencies of the Authority's performance under this Agreement. The Authority shall have at least ninety (90) days from receipt of the written notice of proposed termination to correct all deficiencies referred to in said written notice. Any termination pursuant to this Article shall be subject to the rights and obligations of the Parties as more specifically set forth in this Agreement.
- (c) The United States and the Authority jointly shall review this Agreement, which review shall be performed at least every five (5) years. A more frequent review will occur if determined to be appropriate by the Contracting Officer, or if requested by the Authority. The

review shall compare the relative success which each party has had in meeting its objectives, including, but not limited to, the Contributed Funds Agreement, an OM&R Agreement, a Repayment Contract, a Spend Plan, and a Coordination Agreement, which agreements will be exhibits to this Agreement. These exhibits may require modification, which will be mutually agreed upon without amendment to this Agreement.

(d) This Agreement may be modified, amended, or terminated upon mutual agreement of the Parties in writing. All duties and obligations of the Parties under this Agreement will cease upon termination except as to any provisions that expressly survive the termination of the Agreement.

<u>COST SHARE</u>

- 3. As provided for in WIIN §4007(b)(2), Reclamation may fund up to 50% of the Expansion Project costs so long as the benefits from the Expansion Project are commensurate with the Federal investment.
- (a) Reclamation has the authority to share up to 50% of the costs of the Expansion Project; however, Reclamation and the Authority have agreed to an initial 70% Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir and a 30% Federal Share of Expanded Reservoir.
- (1) Upon the determination of "Substantial Completion" of construction of the Expansion Project, Reclamation and the Authority will meet and confer within a reasonable time frame to complete a final accounting of Expansion Project benefits to determine and mutually agree upon final storage benefits of the Expansion Project and the allocation to Reclamation and the Authority. The final storage benefits attributable to the Parties will be documented in an exhibit to this Agreement. Reclamation, in coordination with the

Authority, will assess the Expansion Project costs and make a determination of which Expansion Project costs are reimbursable and which Expansion Project costs are non-reimbursable.

(b) Eligible Expansion Project costs are as follows and will be shared in accordance with subarticle 3(a)(1) of this Agreement:

- (2) Planning Costs: In an effort to reach a finding that the Expansion Project is feasible, certain planning level investigations were necessary and may continue to be necessary prior to commencement of construction. Such planning investigations will be consistent with Reclamation's Directives and Standards in accordance with CMP 09-02.
- (3) Environmental Mitigation and Compliance Costs: Either Party may fund environmental mitigation and compliance activities associated with this Agreement. These activities may include, but are not limited to, contracts for technical assistance in environmental mitigation, funding of environmental mitigation commitments, and any actions to ensure consistency with the State California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) or Federal National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) laws and regulations.
- (4) Cultural Resource Management Costs: Either Party may fund cultural studies, investigations, and mitigation needs consistent with this Agreement.

and interested parties pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended. Reclamation will be responsible for compliance and coordination with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act of 1990.

- (5) Permitting Costs: Additional permitting actions prior to construction of the Expansion Project and prior to declaring the Expansion Project "Substantially Complete" may be required. The Parties will jointly determine, as appropriate, the appropriate Party to obtain any necessary permit(s), and the appropriate cost share for the permitting actions.
- from Federal appropriations to cover its administrative and management costs associated with the Expansion Project. This amount will be considered part of the overall Federal contribution. Reclamation will provide an estimate of the administrative costs for this Expansion Project which will be reviewed with the Authority. The Authority will reserve sufficient funding to pay for its administrative costs for the non-Federal share of the Expansion Project. These costs will be considered contributions to the non-Federal share of the Expansion Project and reported pursuant to subarticle 3(f) of this Agreement. Administrative costs include, unless otherwise defined by contracts: project management, construction management, accounting and administrative management, legal support and review, travel, general meetings related to the Expansion Project, contract/agreement technical meetings and negotiations, and other supportive services and activities necessary for the construction and operation of the Expansion Project prior to the determination of Substantial Completion.
- (7) Design Costs: Either party may pay for part or all of various design costs for the Expansion Project. Reclamation will be responsible for design of the embankment

of the San Luis Reservoir, but the Authority may contribute funds that will count towards the cost share. There may be the need for modifications during construction that may require further design work. These costs will be shared in accordance with subarticle 3(a)(1).

- (8) Construction Costs: Reclamation will serve as the procurement agency for, and will manage, the primary construction contract with respect to the embankment raise. All costs for this contract will be funded directly by Reclamation or with funds contributed to Reclamation by the Authority or the Investors.
- (9) Other Design and Construction Costs: Either party may pay for part, or all of the remaining non-embankment design and construction costs of associated facilities affected or involved with the Expansion Project including, but not limited to, recreation facilities, power improvements to existing facilities, improvements to pumps, transportation, and other various components of the Expansion Project.
- (c) Reclamation and the Authority have proposed using their collective funds to fund parts of the Expansion Project. A contributed funds agreement may be necessary to help facilitate transfer of funds to Reclamation from the Authority. Such an agreement, if needed, will be an exhibit to this Agreement. Any funds contributed to Reclamation for the Expansion Project will be considered part of the cost of this Expansion Project and shared in accordance with subarticle 3(a)(1).
- (d) There may be times when Reclamation provides funds to the Authority. These funds will be provided through a financial assistance agreement. Any funds provided to the Authority for the Expansion Project will be considered part of the cost of this Expansion Project and shared in accordance with subarticle 3(a)(1).

(e) Within sixty (60) days of the execution of this Agreement, if not before,
Reclamation and the Authority will develop a Spend Plan containing mutually agreeable terms to
track costs and account for funds expended. The Spend Plan will be an exhibit to this Agreement.

- (f) Reclamation and the Authority will establish, at a minimum, quarterly check-ins regarding costs expended for the Expansion Project and to discuss other items, including but not limited to, funding and any additional financial agreements.
- (g) Repayment: As currently formulated, Reclamation does not anticipate the need for a Repayment Contract for repayment of costs associated with the design and construction of the Expansion Project. Reclamation and the Authority will, at the quarterly check-ins described in subarticle (f) above, review the need for a Repayment Contract. If a Repayment Contract is necessary, Reclamation will seek delegated authority from the Commissioner to negotiate and execute said contract, which will be an exhibit to this Agreement. The Parties will closely monitor the potential for reimbursable costs and the need for a Repayment Contract and conduct any necessary financial analysis, in accordance with PEC 11-01, prior to executing any such contract.
- (1) It is anticipated that the Federal share of costs associated with the Expansion Project will be used for purposes deemed to be non-reimbursable, therefore the Federal share of costs associated with the Expansion Project will be non-reimbursable.
- (2) If reimbursable benefits are identified upon the final allocation of costs, Reclamation will establish appropriate recovery of said reimbursable costs consistent with Reclamation law and policy.

(h) The duties and obligations of the Parties under this Article 3 would expressly survive termination of this Agreement.

MANAGEMENT OF EXPANDED RESERVOIR

- 4. Responsibility for the costs of operation, maintenance, and replacement of B.F. Sisk Dam and San Luis Reservoir will continue to be governed by agreements between the United States and the State of California; the Authority and the Investors shall neither execute nor be a party to any agreement with the State of California for the operation and maintenance of the B.F. Sisk Dam and the Historic Reservoir or the Expanded Reservoir.
- (a) The Parties will draft and finalize an OM&R Agreement for the Expansion Project prior to the first entry of any water subject to this Agreement into any CVP facilities. All future OM&R costs associated with the Expansion Project will be commensurate to each Party's final investment, unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties pursuant to subarticle 4(e)(3)(iii)a of this Agreement.
- (b) Nothing in this Agreement shall imply or convey any rights or process to the Authority, the Investors, or their assignees for rights or privileges to water or operations in the Federal Share of Expanded Reservoir or the Historic Reservoir and the Authority agrees that it shall not seek these rights outside of this Agreement.
- (c) The Parties agree that Reclamation and DWR retain the sole discretion over the operations of the Historic Reservoir.-Operations of the Expanded Reservoir will be consistent with existing laws, agreements, and obligations and pursuant to the terms of this Agreement and in consultation with the Authority and the Investors through the Water Master/Manager.

(d) <u>Federal Share of Expanded Reservoir</u>: The management of any water in the Federal Share of Expanded Reservoir is at the sole discretion of Reclamation and will be managed in such a way to be consistent with State and Federal law and existing and future agreements, guidelines, and programs for Federal benefits.

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(e) Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir: Investors agree to use the Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir consistent with the terms of this Agreement, and the Parties agree that the Investors possess the ability to partner with non-Investor parties regarding the use, marketing, and/or lease of capacity within the Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir and/or the storage of water in the Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir. The Investors shall indemnify the United States, its officers, employees, and agents of damage or claim of any nature whatsoever for which there is any legal responsibility derived from these third-party agreements. Non-Project Water, Acquired Project Water, and/or Project Water will be stored in the Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir and moved out of the Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir subject to the terms of this Agreement. If an Investor has any water type available to move into the Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir at the same time that Reclamation has Project Water available to it to fill the Expanded Reservoir, and conveyance capacity is available, the Investor may determine which water type will be (or is) stored on its behalf in the Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir. Water stored in the Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir will not be subject to the San Luis Rescheduling Guidelines and will not be displaced, or "spill," upon the filling of the Federal Share of Historic Reservoir.

(1) Non-Project Water

334	(i) With the exception of Non-Project Water that may already
335	exist in the Historic Reservoir and/or SWP water conveyed through the SWP or under agreement
336	with Reclamation, Non-Project Water is subject to a contract for the use of excess conveyance
337	capacity in Federal facilities, pursuant to the Warren Act (Act of February 21, 1911 (36 Stat.
338	925)), in order to convey Non-Project Water to or from the Historic Reservoir.
339	(ii) Storage of Non-Project Water in the Investor Share of
340	Expanded Reservoir will not require a Warren Act Contract. However, any water that is stored in
341	the Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir that may be moved into and accounted for in the
342	Historic Reservoir will require a Warren Act Contract for storage in the Historic Reservoir.
343	(iii) For the purpose of this Agreement and consistent with the
344	San Luis Rescheduling Guidelines, unless otherwise amended, San Joaquin River Restoration
345	water recaptured consistent with permits issued by the State Water Resources Control Board, if
346	acquired by an Investor or a non-Investor party through agreement with an Investor, will be
347	treated as having the same priority as Non-Project Water and may be storable in the Investor
348	Share of Expanded Reservoir if acquired by an Investor.
349	(iv) Reclamation will not use Non-Project Water to meet
350	authorized CVP purposes as defined in subarticle 4(e)(4) of this Agreement until: (1) all
351	available Federal supplies have been used by Reclamation, and (2) the Parties first mutually
352	agree in writing to water or monetary compensation, subject to appropriations, or a combination
353	thereof, prior to its use.

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as contemplated in the M&I Water Shortage Policy, as may be amended or superseded, to meet minimum public health and safety needs.

(2) Acquired Project Water

- (i) Reclamation will only use Acquired Project Water stored in the Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir: (1) to meet the unmet minimum deliveries for south-of-Delta San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors and Settlement Contractors in Shasta Critical Years, the unmet minimum CVPIA allocation for south-of-Delta Level 2 refuges, and the unmet public health and safety needs as defined by the M&I Water Shortage Policy as may be amended or superseded; (2) concurrently with all other CVP water supplies; (3) in coordination with the Water Coordinator per subarticle XX; and (4) with agreed upon compensation for Reclamation's use of Acquired Project Water, at the option of each Investor, as follows:
- a. Subject to appropriations, Reclamation will pay the total acquisition cost of the water prior to any losses or the current year market rate (replacement cost) with a demonstration of proof, whichever is greater, for the full quantity of Acquired Project Water taken; or
- b. Reclamation will compensate the Investor in future water at a rate of 2:1 in replacement for the water needed by Reclamation. The quantity of water returned cannot exceed the amount of water to be stored in the Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir. Any water returned will be considered Acquired Project Water upon its return; or
- c. Subject to appropriations, Reclamation will compensate the Investor for half the total acquisition cost of the water prior to any losses or the current spot market rate (replacement cost) with a demonstration of proof, whichever is greater,

378	for the full quantity of Acquired Project Water taken, and will replace the water needed by
379	Reclamation at a rate of 1:1. Any water returned will be considered Acquired Project Water upon
380	its return.
381	(ii) M&I Shortage – Acquired Project Water in the Investor
382	Share of Expanded Reservoir will be subject to the M&I Water Shortage Policy.
383	(3) <u>Project Water</u>
384	(i) <u>Article 3(a) Water</u> : Following the allocation of Water
385	Made Available under Article 3(a) of an Investor's Water Service/Repayment Contract, an
386	Investor may direct the movement of allocated contract supply to the Investor Share of Expanded
387	Reservoir, up to the maximum storage capacity of the Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir.
388	(ii) <u>Article 3(f) Water</u> : Each Investor holds a Repayment
389	Contract that contains Article 3(f), which provides a mechanism for Reclamation to make
390	"Article 3(f) water" available. For the purpose of this Agreement, the Contracting Officer will
391	make Article 3(f) water available to Investors in addition to the Investors' CVP contract
392	allocation in every year that Article 3(f) is available, as described below:
393	a. Following the filling of the Federal Share of
394	Historic Reservoir, Reclamation will make Article 3(f) water available to all south-of-Delta CVP

b. Upon making Article 3(f) water available,
Reclamation will fill the Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir and the Federal Share of
Expanded Reservoir on a proportionate basis in accordance with this Agreement.

contractors with demand for Article 3(f) water.

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- 1. Reclamation will fill the Expanded
- Reservoir until such a time that the Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir is full or the Investor

 Share and the Federal Share of Expanded Reservoir are full.
- 402 2. Any Article 3(f) water used to fill a portion 403 of the Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir will be allocated to each Investor that has available 404 capacity in the Expanded Reservoir.
- Water made available under this subarticle
 406 4(e)(3)(ii) and stored in the Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir can be scheduled for delivery
 407 at a later date at the discretion of the Investors.
 - (iii) Reclamation, at its discretion, will only use Project Water in the Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir that was allocated in the current or immediately preceding Year (1) to meet the unmet minimum deliveries for south-of-Delta San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors and Settlement Contractors in Shasta Critical Years, the unmet minimum CVPIA allocation for south-of-Delta Level 2 refuges, and the unmet public health and safety needs as defined by the M&I Water Shortage Policy as may be amended or superseded; (2) concurrently with all other CVP water supplies; and (3) in coordination with the Water Coordinator per subarticle . Further, Reclamation agrees it will not use an Investor's M&I Project Water stored in the Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir to meet these authorized CVP purposes in a Shasta Critical Year or in any Year in which a public health and safety allocation under the M&I Shortage Policy as may be amended or superseded is declared or anticipated to be declared. Under these conditions Investors will use this M&I Project Water to meet unmet public health and safety needs projected during implementation of their drought response plans.

421	a. If Reclamation uses Project Water stored in the
422	Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir to meet the enumerated CVP purposes above,
423	Reclamation shall reimburse or credit the Investors for the applicable OM&R costs. Therefore,
424	the quantity of Project Water used by Reclamation will be included in the calculation of that
425	Year's Federal OM&R cost obligation allocated by DWR for the Expanded Reservoir and will
426	be deducted from the Authority's share of OM&R cost obligation for the Year in which Project
427	Water was used by Reclamation.
428	(f) <u>Displacement of Project Water</u> – In order to store Non-Project Water or
429	Acquired Project Water in the Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir, the Investors, through the
430	Water Coordinator and in coordination with Reclamation, may move Project Water out of the
431	Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir in the following way in order of priority:
432	(1) Project Water moves from the Investor Share of Expanded
433	Reservoir to the Historic Reservoir unless the Historic Reservoir is full;
434	(2) If the Historic Reservoir is full, then the Project Water would move
435	to the Federal Share of Expanded Reservoir; and
436	(3) If the Federal Share of Expanded Reservoir is full, then the Project
437	Water can be transferred or exchanged subject to applicable statutes, regulations, guidelines, and
438	policies.
439	(4) If the Project Water cannot be transferred or exchanged, then
440	Reclamation can make the Project Water available to CVP contractors per existing CVP Water
441	Service/Repayment Contracts, and subject to applicable regulations, guidelines, and policies.
442	Reclamation will retain full discretion as to the disposition of the Project Water.

(g) <u>Losses</u> – All water in the Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir will be subject to water loss criteria that is applied with proportionality based on reservoir losses caused by evaporation and seepage and charged to Reclamation as part of its joint operations with DWR.

(h) Points of Delivery

- (1) Any Project Water, as defined by this Agreement, will be delivered at the point(s) of delivery as specified in the applicable Water Service/Repayment Contract.
- (2) Any Acquired Project Water or Non-Project Water will be considered delivered to the Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir and will be accounted for consistent with all applicable State and Federal laws, contracts, and policy.
- (i) Operation and Maintenance Costs of the San Luis Reservoir As a result of the Expanded Reservoir, Reclamation may have an increased share of the cost of the operation and maintenance of the B.F. Sisk Dam and San Luis Reservoir. The Parties agree that costs will be paid consistent with existing laws, agreements, and policy, as may be amended or superseded. Further, the Authority agrees it will specifically pay for OM&R costs associated with the Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir; the details regarding such payment and costs will be defined in an OM&R Agreement, which will be an Exhibit to this Agreement.
- (j) <u>Coordination</u> Prior to the operation of the Expanded Reservoir,

 Reclamation and the Authority will develop a Coordination Agreement to coordinate and
 communicate and define roles and responsibilities prior to the storage of water in the Expanded
 Reservoir, which will be an Exhibit to this Agreement. The Coordination Agreement will,
 among other things:

465	(1) Define the frequency of coordination between the Parties.
466	(2) Establish a Reclamation approved accounting methodology and
467	system of accounting for water in the Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir;
468	(3) Provide for a dispute resolution process.
469	(4) Provide for a Water Master/Manager. The Parties agree that a
470	Water Master/Manager will be provided and paid for by the Authority who will coordinate with
471	Reclamation regarding the management of any water moving into, stored in, or moving out of
472	the Investor Share of Expanded Reservoir, who will account for the water in the Investor Share
473	of Expanded Reservoir, and who will be responsible for the provisional data and coordinating
474	with Reclamation on reconciliation at the end of the contract year and prior to initial allocations
475	of the following Year.
476	(5) Describe the frequency and methods through which Reclamation
477	will share forecasting and allocation information with the Water Master/Manager on behalf of
478	the Authority and through which the Parties will acquire access to conveyance capacity.
479	EXISTING CONTRACTS
480	5. Nothing in this Agreement, in any way, alters, changes, or amends the Investors'
481	existing Water Service/Repayment Contracts with the United States.
482	DISPUTE RESOLUTION
483	6. Should any dispute arise concerning any provisions of this Agreement, or the
484	Parties' or Investors' rights and obligations thereunder, the United States and the Authority
485	and/or Investors shall meet and confer in an attempt to resolve the dispute. Prior to the Authority

or Investors commencing any legal action, or the Contracting Officer referring any matter to the

Department of Justice, the party shall provide to the other party thirty (30) days' written notice of the intent to take such action; *Provided, That* such notice shall not be required where a delay in commencing an action would prejudice the interests of the party that intends to file suit. During the thirty (30)-day notice period, the parties shall meet and confer in an attempt to resolve the dispute. Except as specifically provided, nothing herein is intended to waive or abridge any right or remedy that the Authority, the Investors, or the United States may have.

WAIVER OF NON-COMPLIANCE WITH ANY PROVISION OF THIS AGREEMENT

- 7. (a) The waiver by either Party to this Agreement as to any non-compliance with any provision of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver of any other non-compliance with any provision of this Agreement or as authority of the other Party to continue such non-compliance with any provision of this Agreement or to make, do, or perform, or not make, do, or perform, as the case may be, any act or thing which would constitute non-compliance with any provision of this Agreement.
- (b) Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed as in any manner abridging, limiting, or depriving the United States or the Authority or Investors of any means of enforcing any remedy, either at law or in equity, for the breach of any of the provisions hereof which it would otherwise have.

OPINIONS AND DETERMINATIONS

8. (a) Where the terms of this Agreement provide for actions to be based upon the opinion or determination of either party to this Agreement, said terms shall not be construed as permitting such action to be predicated upon arbitrary, capricious, or unreasonable opinions or determinations. Both Parties, notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, expressly

reserve the right to seek relief from and appropriate adjustment for any such arbitrary, capricious, or unreasonable opinion or determination. Each opinion or determination by either Party shall be provided in a timely manner. Nothing in this subdivision (a) of this Article is intended to or shall affect or alter the standard of judicial review applicable under Federal law to any opinion or determination implementing a specific provision of Federal law embodied in statute or regulation.

(b) The Contracting Officer shall have the right to make determinations necessary to administer this Agreement that are consistent with the provisions of this Agreement, the laws of the United States and of the State of California, and the rules and regulations promulgated by the Secretary. Such determinations shall be made in consultation with the Authority to the extent reasonably practicable.

520 NOTICES

9. Any notice, demand, or request authorized or required by this Agreement shall be deemed to have been given, on behalf of the Authority, when mailed, postage prepaid, or delivered to the Regional Director, California Great Basin Region, Bureau of Reclamation, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, CA, 95825, and on behalf of the United States, when mailed, postage prepaid, or delivered to the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority, 842 6th Street, Los Banos, CA 93635.

CONTINGENT ON APPROPRIATION OR ALLOTMENT OF FUNDS

10. The expenditure or advance of any money or the performance of any obligation of the United States under this Agreement shall be contingent upon appropriation or allotment of funds. Absence of appropriation or allotment of funds shall not relieve the Authority from any obligations under this Agreement. No liability shall accrue to the United States in case funds are not appropriated or allotted.

OFFICIALS NOT TO BENEFIT

11. No Member of or Delegate to the Congress, Resident Commissioner, or official of the Authority shall benefit from this Agreement other than as a water user or landowner in the same manner as other water users or landowners.

ASSIGNMENT LIMITED – SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS OBLIGATED

12. The provisions of this Agreement shall apply to and bind the successors and assigns of the parties hereto, but no assignment or transfer of this Agreement or any right or interest therein by either party shall be valid until approved in writing by the other party.

BOOKS, RECORDS, AND REPORTS

13. The Authority shall establish and maintain accounts and other books and records pertaining to administration of the terms and conditions of this Agreement, including the Authority's financial transactions; water supply data; project operation, maintenance, and replacement logs; project land and rights-of-way use agreements; the water users' land-use (crop census), land-ownership, land-leasing, and water-use data; and other matters that the Contracting Officer may require. Reports shall be furnished to the Contracting Officer in such form and on such date or dates as the Contracting Officer may require. Subject to applicable Federal laws and regulations, each party to this Agreement shall have the right during office hours to examine and make copies of the other party's books and records relating to matters covered by this Agreement.

COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL RECLAMATION LAWS

14. The parties agree that the delivery of irrigation water or use of Federal facilities pursuant to this Agreement is subject to Federal reclamation law, including but not limited to the Reclamation Reform Act of 1982 (43 U.S.C. 390aa, et seq.), as amended and supplemented, and the rules and regulations promulgated by the Secretary of the Interior under Federal reclamation law.

PROTECTION OF WATER AND AIR QUALITY

- 15. (a) The Authority, without expense to the United States, will care for, operate, and maintain transferred works in a manner that preserves the quality of the water at the highest feasible level as determined by the Contracting Officer.
- (b) The United States will care for, operate, and maintain reserved works in a manner that preserves the quality of the water at the highest feasible level as determined by the Contracting Officer. The United States does not warrant the quality of the water delivered to the Authority and is under no obligation to furnish or construct water treatment facilities to maintain or improve the quality of water delivered to the Authority.
- (c) The Authority will comply with all applicable water and air pollution laws and regulations of the United States and the State of California; and will obtain all required permits or licenses from the appropriate Federal, State, or local authorities necessary for the delivery of water by the Authority; and will be responsible for compliance with all Federal, State, and local water quality standards applicable to surface and subsurface drainage and/or discharges generated through the use of Federal or Authority facilities or project water provided by the Authority within its Project Water Service Area.

This article will not affect or alter any legal obligations of the Secretary to 575 (d) provide drainage or other discharge services. 576 WATER CONSERVATION 577 16. Prior to the delivery of water provided from or conveyed through federally 578 constructed or federally financed facilities pursuant to this Agreement, the Authority shall 579 develop a water conservation plan, as required by subsection 210(b) of the Reclamation Reform 580 Act of 1982 and 43 C.F.R. 427.1 (Water Conservation Rules and Regulations). 581 582 (b) Water conservation plans developed by the Investors may be deemed to 583 584 satisfy the requirement in subarticle 16(a) above. **EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY** 585 17. The following language is required by Executive Order No. 11246 of September 586 24, 1965, in all government contracts unless and until it is superseded or amended. 587 During the performance of this Agreement, the Authority agrees as follows: 588 The Authority will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for 589 (a) employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national 590 origin. The Authority will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that 591 employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, 592 sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be 593 594 limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and 595 selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Authority agrees to post in conspicuous 596 places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the 597 Contracting Officer setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause. 598 599 (b) The Authority will, in all solicitations or advancements for employees 600 placed by or on behalf of the Authority, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, 601 gender identity, or national origin. 602 The Authority will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate 603 against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has 604 inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another 605 employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has 606 access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such 607 employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or 608 applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such 609 disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, 610

- proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the Authority's legal duty to furnish information.
- 613 (d) The Authority will send to each labor union or representative of workers 614 with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice, 615 to be provided by the agency Contracting Officer, advising the labor union or workers' 616 representative of the Authority's commitments under section 202 of Executive Order No. 11246 617 of September 24, 1965, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to 618 employees and applicants for employment.
- 619 (e) The Authority will comply with all provisions of Executive Order No.
 620 11246 of Sept. 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of
 621 Labor.

- (f) The Authority will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by the rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the Contracting Agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- (g) In the event of the Authority's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this Agreement or with any of such rules, regulations, or orders, this Agreement may be canceled, terminated or suspended in whole or in part and the Authority may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order No. 11246 of Sept. 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
- (h) The Authority will include the provisions of paragraphs (a) through (h) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by the rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The Authority will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as may be directed by the Secretary of Labor as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance: Provided, however, that in the event the Authority becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction, the Authority may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

COMPLIANCE WITH CIVIL RIGHTS

18. (a) The Authority shall comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Pub. L. 88-352; 42 U.S.C. § 2000d), the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Pub. L. 93-112, Title V, as amended; 29 U.S.C. § 791, et seq.), the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (Pub. L. 94-135, Title III; 42 U.S.C. § 6101, et seq.), Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 101-336; 42 U.S.C. § 12131, et seq.), and any other applicable civil rights laws, and with the

applicable implementing regulations and any guidelines imposed by the U.S. Department of the Interior and/or Bureau of Reclamation.

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- (b) These statutes prohibit any person in the United States from being excluded from participation in, being denied the benefits of, or being otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving financial assistance from the Bureau of Reclamation on the grounds of race, color, national origin, disability, or age. By executing this Agreement, the Authority agrees to immediately take any measures necessary to implement this obligation, including permitting officials of the United States to inspect premises, programs, and documents.
- (c) The Authority makes this agreement in consideration of and for the purpose of obtaining any and all Federal grants, loans, contracts, property discounts, or other Federal financial assistance extended after the date hereof to the Authority by the Bureau of Reclamation, including installment payments after such date on account of arrangements for Federal financial assistance which were approved before such date. The Authority recognizes and agrees that such Federal assistance will be extended in reliance on the representations and agreements made in this article and that the United States reserves the right to seek judicial enforcement thereof.
- (d) Complaints of discrimination against the Authority shall be investigated by the Contracting Officer's Office of Civil Rights.

CERTIFICATION OF NONSEGREGATED FACILITIES

19. The Authority hereby certifies that it does not maintain or provide for its employees any segregated facilities at any of its establishments and that it does not permit its employees to perform their services at any location under its control where segregated facilities are maintained. It certifies further that it will not maintain or provide for its employees any segregated facilities at any of its establishments and that it will not permit its employees to perform their services at any location under its control where segregated facilities are maintained. The Authority agrees that a breach of this certification is a violation of the Equal Employment Opportunity clause in this Agreement. As used in this certification, the term "segregated facilities" means any waiting rooms, work areas, rest rooms and wash rooms, restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, locker rooms and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing facilities provided for employees which are segregated by explicit directive or are in fact segregated on the basis of race, creed, color, or national origin, because of habit, local custom, disability, or otherwise. The Authority further agrees that (except where it has obtained identical certifications from proposed subcontractors for specific time periods) it will obtain identical certifications from proposed subcontractors prior to the award of subcontracts exceeding \$10,000 which are not exempt from the provisions of the Equal Employment Opportunity clause; that it will retain such certifications in its files; and that it will forward the following notice to such proposed subcontractors (except where the proposed subcontractors have submitted identical certifications for specific time periods):

NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE SUBCONTRACTORS OF REQUIREMENT FOR CERTIFICATIONS OF NONSEGREGATED FACILITIES

A Certification of Nonsegregated Facilities must be submitted prior to the award of a subcontract exceeding \$10,000 which is not exempt from the provisions of the Equal Employment Opportunity clause. The certification may be submitted either for each subcontract or for all subcontracts during a period (i.e., quarterly, semiannually, or annually). Note: The penalty for making false statements in offers is prescribed in 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

MEDIUM FOR TRANSMITTING PAYMENTS

- 17. (a) All payments from the Authority to the United States under this Agreement shall be by the medium requested by the United States on or before the date payment is due. The required method of payment may include checks, wire transfers, or other types of payment specified by the United States.
- (b) Upon execution of the Agreement, the Authority shall furnish the Contracting Officer with the Authority's taxpayer's identification number (TIN). The purpose for requiring the Authority's TIN is for collecting and reporting any delinquent amounts arising out of the Authority's relationship with the United States.

AGREEMENT DRAFTING CONSIDERATIONS

20. This Agreement has been negotiated and reviewed by the parties hereto, each of whom is sophisticated in the matters to which this Agreement pertains. Articles through of this Agreement have been drafted, negotiated, and reviewed by the parties, and no one party shall be considered to have drafted the stated articles.

716 717 718	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.		
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720		THE	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
721		By:	
722			Regional Director
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