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BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

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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 Act
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

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12	executing this Agreement, hereinafter referred to as the Contracting Officer, and the SAN LUIS
13	& DELTA-MENDOTA WATER AUTHORITY, hereinafter referred to as the Authority,
14	individually referred to as "Party" and collectively referred to as "Parties".
15	EXPLANATORY RECITALS
16	[1 st] 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
19	irrigation and other beneficial uses to serve CVP purposes; and
20	[2 nd] 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
22	for in the San Luis Act of 1960; and
23	[3 rd] 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,
25	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
27	an agreement with the State of California to provide for the coordinated operation of the San
28	Luis Unit, which resulted in a 1961 Joint Coordination Agreement and subsequent amendatory
29	and supplemental agreements of 1972 and 1997; and
30	[4 th] 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

supplements and amendments; and 34

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, in accordance with the Reclamation Safety of Dams Act of 1978
50	(Public Law 95-578, 92 Stat. 2471) and 43 U.S.C. § 509 b, to develop additional project benefits,
51	through the B.F. Sisk Dam Safety of Dams Modification Report, in December 2020, the
52	Expansion Project was determined to be feasible; and
53	[9 th] WHEREAS, consistent with Reclamation's Directives and Standards, CMP 09-02
54	Water and Related Resources Feasibility Studies, and FAC 06-05, Developing Additional Project
55	Benefits in Conjunction with a Safety of Dams Modification Project, Reclamation is authorized
56	to assess the feasibility of increasing San Luis Reservoir storage capacity in conjunction with the

57	Safety of Dams modifications to determine if there are additional project benefits and to ensure
58	that it is in the best interest of the United States; and
59	[10 th] WHEREAS, following the finding of feasibility, in accordance with §4007 of the
60	Water Infrastructure and Improvement for the Nation Act, hereinafter referred to as "WIIN"
61	(Public Law 114-322), on October 20, 2023, Congress authorized construction and associated
62	funding for the B.F. Sisk Dam Raise and Reservoir Expansion Project; and
63	[11 th] WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 4007(e) of the WIIN Act, which
64	provides "[s]ubject to compliance with State water rights laws, the right to use capacity of a
65	federally owned storage project shall be allocated in such a manner as may be mutually
66	agreed to by the Secretary of the Interior and each party to the agreement," the Parties agree that
67	this Agreement, as may be amended, provides for the mutually agreeable use of the Expanded
68	Reservoir to the extent consistent with Federal Law; and
69	[12 th] WHEREAS, notwithstanding any potential disagreements, that may exist
70	concerning background State water rights laws, by mutual consent this Agreement governs the
71	allocation and management of storage wateras provided herein; and
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73	[13 th] WHEREAS, the Authority certified, and Reclamation signed, a Record of
74	Decision on October 20, 2023, for the Environmental Impact Statement/Report entitled B.F. Sisk
75	Dam Raise and Reservoir Expansion Project, selecting the Dam Raise Alternative; and
76	[14 th] WHEREAS, consistent with WIIN §4007(b)(2), Reclamation and the Authority
77	agree to enter into this Agreement for up to 50% Federal share of the costs of the Expansion
78	Project including, but not limited to, planning, design, and construction, and as further defined in
79	this Agreement; and

80	[15 th] WHEREAS, consistent with WIIN §4007(e), Reclamation representing the United
81	States, and the Authority, through the B.F. Sisk Dam Raise and Reservoir Expansion Project
82	Activity Agreement(s), as may be amended or supplemented, representing Investors who will
83	collectively share in the costs and benefits of the Expansion Project, desire to use the Expansion
84	Project in a such a manner as may be mutually agreeable to the Parties hereto; and
85	[16 th] WHEREAS, other agreements and/or contracts necessary for commencing design,
86	construction, and/or operation of the Expanded Reservoir may be necessary and may be
87	incorporated into this Agreement, and which may include, but are not limited to, a contributed
88	funds agreement providing for the contribution of funds from Federal cost share partners
89	(§4007(b)(3)(b)) and §4011(e)(2)); an OM&R Agreement; a Repayment Contract providing for
90	repayment of reimbursable obligations (§4007(b)(3)(c) and 4011(e)(2)), as appropriate; a Spend
91	Plan; and a Coordination Agreement. any of which may require further delegation of authority
92	from the Commissioner of Reclamation to negotiate and make a part of this Agreement; and
93	NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties desire to manage the additional capacity associated
94	with the expansion of San Luis Reservoir and share in the costs pertaining to the Expanded
95	Reservoir consistent with and in consideration of the mutual and dependent covenants herein, the
96	Parties hereto agree as follows:
97	DEFINITIONS
98	1. When used herein unless otherwise distinctly expressed, or manifestly
99	incompatible with the intent of the Parties as expressed in this Agreement, the term:
100	(a) "Acquired Water" shall mean (1) any water acquired from CVP Water
101	Service/Repayment Contractors, CVP Settlement Contractors, San Joaquin River Exchange
102	Contractors, any other CVP contractor, or from Reclamation, in addition to any transfer or

103	exchange that requires an in lieu operational exchange by Reclamation, subject to Contracting
104	Officer acknowledgement or approval and consistent with any required environmental review
105	and transfer policies and guidelines, and (2) any Non-Project Water.
106	(b) "Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir" shall mean the storage
107	volume of the Expanded Reservoir commensurate with the Investors' level of investment in the
108	Expansion Project.
109	(c) "Calendar Year" shall mean the period January 1 through December 31,
110	both dates inclusive.
111	(d) "Central Valley Project Municipal and Industrial Water Shortage Policy
112	Guidelines and Procedures" or "M&I Water Shortage Policy" shall mean the policy intended to
113	provide clear and objective guidelines on the water supplies available from the CVP during a
114	Condition of Shortage, as that term is defined in the Water Service/Repayment Contracts.
115	(e) "Contracting Officer" shall mean the Secretary of the United States
116	Department of the Interior or his/her duly authorized representative.
117	(d) "Contributed Funds Agreement" shall mean the agreement by which the
118	Authority contributes to the cost of the Expansion Project, entered into pursuant to the Sundry
119	Civil Appropriations Act of March 4, 1921 (Pub. L. 66-389; 41 Stat. 1404; 43 USC 395).
120	(e) "Coordination Agreement" shall mean the agreement provided for in
121	subarticle 4(j) of this Agreement.

122	(f) "Expanded Reservoir" shall mean the combined volume of storage in the
123	Federal Share and the Authority-Managed Share of the expanded San Luis Reservoir resulting
124	from the Expansion Project.
125	(g) "Expansion Project" shall mean the B.F. Sisk Dam Raise and Reservoir
126	Expansion Project, consistent with the Record of Decision, dated October 20, 2023, as may be
127	amended or supplemented, which would raise B.F. Sisk Dam an additional ten feet and provide
128	an additional estimated 130 Thousand Acre Feet (TAF) of storage in San Luis Reservoir.
129	(h) "Federal Share of Expanded Reservoir" shall mean the storage volume of
130	the Expanded Reservoir commensurate with the Federal level of investment in the Expansion
131	Project.
132	(i) "Federal Share of Historic Reservoir" shall mean the storage volume of
133	966 TAF in the Historic Reservoir.
134	(j) "Historic Reservoir" shall mean the total storage volume of 2.028 Million
135	Acre-Feet (MAF) in San Luis Reservoir.
136	(k) "Investors" shall mean those entities and/or organizations that are
137	represented by the Authority pursuant to the B.F. Sisk Dam Raise and Reservoir Expansion
138	Project Activity Agreement and all supplements and amendments.
139	(1) "Central Valley Project Municipal and Industrial Water Shortage Policy
140	Guidelines and Procedures" or "M&I Water Shortage Policy" shall mean the policy intended to
141	provide clear and objective guidelines on the water supplies available from the CVP during a
142	Condition of Shortage, as that term is defined in the Water Service/Repayment Contracts.

143	(m)	"Non-Project Water" shall mean all water acquired that has not been
144	appropriated or acqu	ired by the United States and as further described herein.
145	(n)	"Operation, Maintenance and Replacement Agreement" or "OM&R
146	Agreement" shall me	ean the agreement between the United States and the Authority providing for
147	the operation, mainte	mance, and replacement of the Expansion Project.
148	(0)	"Parties" shall mean Reclamation on behalf of the United States and the
149	Authority on behalf of	of the Investors.
150	(p)	"Project Water" shall mean all water that is developed, diverted, stored, or
151	delivered by the Secr	retary in accordance with the statutes authorizing the Project and in
152	accordance with the	terms and conditions of water rights acquired pursuant to California law.
153	(q)	"Repayment Contract" shall mean a new contract resulting from the
154	Expansion Project, if	any, the purpose of which is to recover any reimbursable costs, entered into
155	pursuant to Section 9	(c)(1) and/or 9(d) of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939, as amended.
156	(r)	"San Luis Reservoir" shall mean the Historic Reservoir and the Expanded
157	Reservoir.	
158	(s)	"San Luis Rescheduling Guidelines" shall mean the Rescheduling
159	Guidelines for the Fe	ederal Share of Storage in San Luis Reservoir, Central Valley Project,
160	California Great Bas	in Region, dated January 31, 2022, as may be amended or superseded,
161	which apply only to	the Historic Reservoir.
162	(t)	"Shasta Critical Year/Critical Year" shall be consistent with the
163	definitions in Contra	cts No. I1r-1144 and 14-06-200-855A-R-1.

164		(u)	"Spend Plan" shall mean the plan provided for in subarticle 3(e) of this
165	Agreement.		
166		(v)	"Substantial Completion" shall have the same meaning as defined in FAC
167	01-05 as ame	nded or	supplemented.
168		(w)	"Water Coordinator" shall mean the individual provided for in subarticle
169	4(j)(4) of this	Agreer	nent.
170		(x)	"Year" shall mean the period from and including March 1 of each Calendar
171	Year through	the last	day of February of the following Calendar Year.
172			TERM OF AGREEMENT
173	2.	(a)	This Agreement is effective on the date hereinabove written and will
174	remain in full	force d	luring the duration of the useful life of the Project or until terminated.
175		(b)	The Contracting Officer may terminate this Agreement at any time before
176	the expiration	of its t	erm whenever the Contracting Officer determines that the Authority is in
177	substantial br	each of	the Agreement or otherwise in violation of Federal law, provided, that prior
178	to the effectiv	ve date o	of any such termination, the Contracting Officer shall first notify the
179	Authority in v	writing	of, the specific purported deficiencies of the Authority in carrying out the
180	terms and cor	nditions	of this Agreement. It is the intent of the Parties that disputes be resolved
181	pursuant to th	is suba	rticle 2(b) as expeditiously as is reasonably possible without the necessity of
182	other relief at	law or	in equity. If after the designated representative of the Authority has met
183	with the Cont	racting	Officer or his or her designated representative and attempt in good faith and
184	with the use of	of best e	efforts to resolve any dispute arising from the purported deficiency an
185	agreement is	not reac	ched, the Contracting Officer may issue a notice of proposed termination,

186	which includes the specific deficiencies of the Authority's performance under this Agreement.
187	The Authority shall have at least one hundred and twenty (120) days from receipt of the written
188	notice of proposed termination to correct all deficiencies referred to in said written notice. Any
189	termination pursuant to this Article shall be subject to the rights and obligations of the Parties as
190	more specifically set forth in this Agreement. If termination occurs pursuant to this subarticle
191	2(b), the Parties will promptly meet to perform a full assessment of the Parties' respective
192	investments to inform a determination of what rights survive termination.
193	(1) If termination occurs prior to the determination of Substantial
194	Completion of construction of the Expansion Project, the Parties will meet and confer to review
195	the appropriate recognition of the Authority's contributed funds, as documented in applicable
196	Exhibits to this Agreement including outstanding financial obligations.
197	(2) If termination occurs following the determination of Substantial
198	Completion of construction of the Expansion Project, the Parties will meet and confer to
199	determine and mutually agree in writing to whether:
200	(i) Reclamation will, in a timely manner, reimburse the
201	Authorities contributed funds as documented in applicable in Exhibits to this Agreement,
202	including any appropriate outstanding financial obligations, or
203	(ii) Reclamation and the Investors, or a successor-in-interest to
204	the Authority, will negotiate a new agreement for the management of the expanded San Luis
205	Reservoir and cost share of charges associated with the raising of the B.F. Sisk Dam and
206	increased storage capacity of the federally administered San Luis Reservoir. Such new

207 agreement would allow the Investors to retain the final storage benefits documented in Exhibit F

to this Agreement and include management provisions consistent with subarticles 4(e)-(h) of thisAgreement.

If this Agreement is terminated, and the Parties mutually 210 (iii) 211 agree to the conditions described in subarticles 2(b)(2)(i) or 2(b)(2)(i) above, Reclamation will manage the Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir per interim agreement(s) based on 212 provisions of subarticles 4(e)-(h) of this Agreement. until Reclamation reimburses all verifiable 213 214 contributed funds or a new agreement for the management of the expanded San Luis Reservoir and cost share of charges associated with the raising of the B.F. Sisk Dam and increased storage 215 capacity of the federally administered San Luis Reservoir is executed. If upon full 216 reimbursement occurs, Reclamation would assume full benefits of the Project. 217 (c) The United States and the Authority jointly shall review this Agreement, 218 which review shall be performed at least every five (5) years. A more frequent review will occur 219 if determined to be appropriate by the Contracting Officer, or if requested by the Authority. The 220 review shall compare the relative success which each Party has had in meeting its objectives, 221 222 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 223 exhibits to this Agreement. Exhibits to this Agreement, excluding Final Storage Benefits, will be 224 225 mutually agreed to and signed by the Parties and will be incorporated into this Agreement. As a precondition to the granting of any benefits or performance of obligations in this Agreement, the 226 Parties must successfully execute the Spend Plan and the Contributed Funds Agreement, and the 227 Authority must deposit all funds identified as necessary in the Spend Plan which shall be 228 executed no later than one hundred and twenty (120) days after the execution of this Agreement. 229

Exhibits to this Agreement may require modification which may be accomplished withoutamendment 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.

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COST SHARE

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%
Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir and a 30% Federal Share of Expanded
Reservoir.

(1) Upon the determination of Substantial Completion of construction 244 of the Expansion Project, Reclamation and the Authority will meet and confer within a 245 reasonable time frame to complete a final accounting of Expansion Project benefits to determine 246 and mutually agree upon final storage benefits of the Expansion Project and the allocation to 247 Reclamation and the Authority. The final storage benefits attributable to the Parties, will be 248 documented in an exhibit to this Agreement. Reclamation, in coordination with the Authority, 249 250 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. 251

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Eligible Expansion Project costs are as follows and will be shared in 252 (b) accordance with subarticle 3(a)(1) of this Agreement: 253 (1) The Parties have reviewed the Expansion Project costs incurred by 254 the Authority and Reclamation prior to the effective date of this Agreement. The Parties 255 acknowledge and agree that the Authority and Reclamation have incurred costs which, if 256 allowable, will be credited to each Party's cost share obligation under applicable Exhibits to this 257 258 Agreement. Planning Costs: In an effort to reach a finding that the Expansion (2)259 Project is feasible, certain planning level investigations were necessary and may continue to be 260 necessary prior to commencement of construction. Such planning investigations will be 261 consistent with Reclamation's Directives and Standards in accordance with CMP 09-02. 262 (3) Environmental Mitigation and Compliance Costs: Either Party may 263 fund environmental mitigation and compliance activities associated with this Agreement. These 264 activities may include, but are not limited to, contracts for technical assistance in environmental 265 mitigation, funding of environmental mitigation commitments, and any actions to ensure 266 consistency with the State California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) or Federal National 267 Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) laws and regulations. 268 (4) Cultural Resource Management Costs: Either Party may fund 269 cultural studies, investigations, and mitigation needs consistent with this Agreement. 270 271 Reclamation will be responsible for all necessary consultations with state offices, Indian tribes, and interested parties pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, 272

as amended. Reclamation will be responsible for compliance and coordination with the NativeAmerican 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.

279 (6) Administrative Costs: Reclamation will reserve sufficient funding from Federal appropriations to cover its administrative and management costs associated with 280 the Expansion Project. This amount will be considered part of the overall Federal contribution. 281 Reclamation will provide an estimate of the administrative costs for this Expansion Project 282 which will be reviewed with the Authority. The Authority will reserve sufficient funding to pay 283 for its administrative costs for the non-Federal share of the Expansion Project. These costs will 284 be considered contributions to the non-Federal share of the Expansion Project and reported 285 pursuant to subarticle 3(f) of this Agreement. Administrative costs include, unless otherwise 286 287 defined by contracts: project management, construction management, accounting and administrative management, legal support and review, travel, general meetings related to the 288 Expansion Project, contract/agreement technical meetings and negotiations, and other supportive 289 290 services and activities necessary for the construction and operation of the Expansion Project prior to the determination of Substantial Completion. 291

(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 furtherdesign 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.

(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.

306 (c) Reclamation and the Authority have proposed using their collective funds
307 to fund parts of the Expansion Project. A contributed funds agreement may be necessary to help
308 facilitate transfer of funds to Reclamation from the Authority. Such an agreement, if needed, will
309 be an exhibit to this Agreement. Any funds contributed to Reclamation for the Expansion Project
310 will be considered part of the cost of this Expansion Project and shared in accordance with
311 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) Reclamation and the Authority will develop and execute a Spend Plan
containing mutually agreeable terms for the Authority to commit funding required under the
WIIN Act and 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.

Repayment: As currently formulated, Reclamation does not anticipate the (g) 323 need for a Repayment Contract for repayment of costs associated with the design and 324 construction of the Expansion Project. Reclamation and the Authority will, at the quarterly 325 check-ins described in subarticle (f) above, review the need for a Repayment Contract. If a 326 Repayment Contract is necessary, Reclamation will seek delegated authority from the 327 Commissioner to negotiate and execute said contract, which will be an exhibit to this Agreement. 328 The Parties will closely monitor the potential for reimbursable costs and the need for a 329 330 Repayment Contract and conduct any necessary financial analysis, in accordance with PEC 11-01, prior to executing any such contract. 331

332 (1) It is anticipated that the Federal share of costs associated with the
333 Expansion Project will be used for purposes deemed to be non-reimbursable, therefore the
334 Federal share of costs associated with the Expansion Project will be non-reimbursable.

335 (2) If reimbursable benefits are identified upon the final allocation of
336 costs, Reclamation will establish appropriate recovery of said reimbursable costs consistent with
337 Reclamation law and policy.

338 (h) The duties and obligations of the Parties under subarticles 3(a)(1), 3(b)(1),
339 3(d), and 3(g) would expressly survive termination of this Agreement.

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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 in writing by the Parties pursuant to this Agreement.

350 (b) Nothing in this Agreement shall imply or convey any rights or process to 351 the Authority or their assignces for rights or privileges to water or operations in the Federal 352 Share of Expanded Reservoir or the Historic Reservoir and the Authority agrees that it shall not 353 seek these rights outside of this Agreement.

354 (c) The Parties agree that Reclamation and DWR retain the sole discretion 355 over the operations of the Historic Reservoir.–Operations of the Expanded Reservoir will be 356 consistent with existing laws, agreements, and obligations and pursuant to the terms of this 357 Agreement and in consultation with the Authority through the Water Coordinator.

358 (d) <u>Federal Share of Expanded Reservoir</u>: The management of any water in 359 the Federal Share of Expanded Reservoir is at the sole discretion of Reclamation and will be

- 360 managed in such a way to be consistent with State and Federal law and existing and future361 agreements, guidelines, and programs for Federal benefits.
- (e) <u>Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir</u>: The Water Coordinator
 will manage and account for any water in the Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir
 consistent with the provisions below. Project Water will only be stored in the Authority Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir at the Authority's direction, as provided herein or as
 otherwise approved in writing by the Authority.

367 (1) The Parties agree that the Investors, through the Authority, possess
368 the ability to partner with non-Investor parties regarding the use, marketing, and/or lease of
369 capacity within the Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir and/or the storage of water
370 in the Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir. The Authority shall indemnify the
371 United States, its officers, employees, and agents of damage or claim of any nature whatsoever
372 for which there is any legal responsibility derived from these third-party agreements.

(2) The Authority agrees to use the Authority-Managed Share of 373 Expanded Reservoir to store Acquired Water, and/or Project Water consistent with the terms of 374 375 this Agreement. If an Investor has any water type available to store in the Authority-Managed 376 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 deemed available, the Investor may 377 determine which water type will be (or is) stored on its behalf in the Authority-Managed Share of 378 379 Expanded Reservoir. Water stored in the Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir will 380 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. 381

383	(i) With the exception of Non-Project Water that may already	
384	exist in the Historic Reservoir and/or SWP water conveyed through the SWP or under agreement	
385	with Reclamation, Non-Project Water is subject to a contract for the use of excess conveyance	
386	capacity in Federal facilities, in order to convey Non-Project Water to or from the Historic	
387	Reservoir.	
388	(ii) Storage of Acquired Water in the Authority Managed Share	
389	of Expanded Reservoir will not require a contract for non-Project use of excess capacity.	
390	However, any Non-Project Water that is stored in the Authority Managed Share of Expanded	
391	Reservoir that may be moved into and accounted for in the Historic Reservoir will require such a	
392	contract for storage in the Historic Reservoir.	
393	(iii) For the purpose of this Agreement, San Joaquin River	
394	Restoration water recaptured consistent with permits issued by the State Water Resources	
395	Control Board, if acquired through agreement and/or stored under agreement, acknowledged by	
396	Reclamation, will be treated as Acquired Water and may be stored in the Authority Managed	
397	Share of Expanded Reservoir.	
398	(iv) Reclamation will not use Acquired Water for any purpose	
399	unless and until the Parties first mutually agree in writing to water or monetary compensation, ,	
400	or a combination thereof, prior to its use ² .	

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Acquired Water

² Subject to Article 11monetary compensation will be of either the total acquisition cost of the water when it was acquired by the contractor or the current year market rate (replacement cost), whichever is greater .

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401	(v) Consistent with Section B.2.i of the Central Valley Project			
402	Municipal and Industrial Water Shortage Policy Guidelines and Procedures ("M&I Water			
403	Shortage Policy") as may be amended or superseded, the Contracting Officer will consider			
404	Acquired Water in the Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir as having been acquired			
405	by Investors to meet individual public health and safety responsibilities and not subject to nor			
406	counted against an Investor's available water.			
407	(4) <u>Project Water</u>			
408	(i) <u>Article 3(a) Water</u> : Following the CVP contract allocation			
409	of Water Made Available under Article 3(a) of an Investor's Water Service/Repayment Contract,			
410	the Water Coordinator may inform Reclamation as to the amount of water to be accounted for			
411	under this subarticle, up to the maximum storage capacity of the Authority-Managed Share of			
412	Expanded Reservoir.			
413	(ii) <u>Article 3(f) Water</u> : Each Investor holds a Repayment			

Contract that provides a mechanism for Reclamation to make water available to each Investor in addition to the Investor's CVP contract allocation in a given Year. This mechanism is most often described in Article 3(f) of the Investors' Repayment Contracts, and so such water is referred to as "Article 3(f) water." For the purpose of this Agreement, the Contracting Officer will make Article 3(f) water available to each Investor to store in the Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir in addition to the Investor's CVP contract allocation in every Year that Article 3(f) water is available, as described below:

421 (a) Following the filling of the Federal Share of
422 Historic Reservoir, Reclamation will make a determination that Article 3(f) water is available to

423	all south-of-Delta CVP Water Service/Repayment Contractors with available storage or	
424	conveyance capacity to take Article 3(f) water and	
425	(b) Upon making Article 3(f) water available,	
426	Reclamation will fill the Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir and the Federal Share	
427	of Expanded Reservoir on a proportionate basis in accordance with this Agreement.	
428	(1) Reclamation will fill the Expanded	
429	Reservoir until such a time that the Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir is full or	
430	the Authority-Managed Share and the Federal Share of Expanded Reservoir are full.	
431	(2) Any Article $3(f)$ water used to fill a portion	
432	of the Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir will be managed and accounted for by	
433	the Water Coordinator within the Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir.	
434	(3) Water made available under this subarticle	
435	4(e)(5)(ii) and stored in the Authority Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir can be scheduled	
436	for delivery at a later date in coordination with the Water Coordinator.	
437	(iii) Reclamation, at its discretion and in coordination	
438	with the Water Coordinator, will only use Project Water in the Authority-Managed Share of	
439	Expanded Reservoir to meet the unmet required deliveries for south-of-Delta San Joaquin River	
440	Exchange Contractors and Settlement Contractors, the unmet required CVPIA allocation for	
441	south-of-Delta Level 2 refuges, and the unmet required public health and safety needs as defined	
442	by the M&I Water Shortage Policy as may be amended or superseded, consistent with the	
443	following provisions:	

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determination, but as soon as practicable, the Contracting Officer, in coordination with the Water Coordinator, will evaluate whether it anticipates a potential need to use Project Water stored in the Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir for the purposes enumerated in subarticle 4(e)(4)(iii) above. The results of this evaluation will be promptly communicated with the Authority. Reclamation, in coordination with the Water Coordinator, will update the evaluation throughout the Year, including information regarding any changes in anticipated need, the timing of such need, and the quantity of such need.

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(b) In each Year that Reclamation anticipates a

Every Year, no later than the time of the initial Year-type

453 potential need to use Project Water stored in the Authority-Managed Share of Expanded 454 Reservoir, the Authority, through the Water Coordinator, will submit monthly schedules to Reclamation for the delivery of Project Water stored in the Authority-Managed Share of 455 456 Expanded Reservoir that shows the volumes of water to be delivered and certified by the Water 457 Manager. Scheduling of all water will be in accordance with the Coordination Agreement. 458 Reclamation shall use all reasonable means to deliver the water to the contractor in accordance 459 with the initial schedule submitted by the contractor, or any written revision(s) deemed satisfactory to the Contracting Officer, thereto submitted within a reasonable time prior to the 460 461 date(s) on which the requested change(s) is/are to be implemented. If, however, on the last day of February, cumulative storage in the Federal Share of Historic Reservoir and Federal Share of 462 Expanded Reservoir is 350,000 acre-feet or less, then Reclamation will be deemed to have a 463 464 calculated need for Project Water stored in the Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir, and the Contracting Officer will inform the Authority, in coordination with the Water 465 Coordinator, of this calculated need. The Contracting Officer will forecast the rate of exhausting 466

467	the water stored in the Federal Shares, and will identify a date thirty (30) days before the
468	forecasted exhaustion. Schedules will need to demonstrate delivery of water on or before this
469	identified date, or April 1, whichever is later. After this date, Reclamation may use Project Water
470	stored in the Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir, together with other available
471	CVP water supplies, for the purposes identified in subarticle 4(e)(4)(iii) above.
472	(1) If, following the identified date above,
473	Reclamation determines that the required deliveries for south-of-Delta San Joaquin River
474	Exchange Contractors and Settlement Contractors, the required CVPIA allocation for south-of-
475	Delta Level 2 refuges, and the required public health and safety needs have been met for the
476	Year, and Project Water remains in the Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir, then
477	Reclamation will so notify the Authority, and the Authority may resume scheduling deliveries
478	out of the Authority-Managed Share of Reservoir.
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479 480 481 482	(d) Reclamation intends to use all available CVP water supplies stored in the Federal Share of Historic Reservoir and Federal Share of Expanded Reservoir to meet the purposes identified in subarticle 4(e)(4)(iii) above prior to using any Project Water stored in the Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir. Prior to the end of
479 480 481 482 483	(d) Reclamation intends to use all available CVP water supplies stored in the Federal Share of Historic Reservoir and Federal Share of Expanded Reservoir to meet the purposes identified in subarticle 4(e)(4)(iii) above prior to using any Project Water stored in the Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir. Prior to the end of any Year in which Reclamation has used Project Water stored in the Authority-Managed Share
479 480 481 482 483 484	(d) Reclamation intends to use all available CVP water supplies stored in the Federal Share of Historic Reservoir and Federal Share of Expanded Reservoir to meet the purposes identified in subarticle 4(e)(4)(iii) above prior to using any Project Water stored in the Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir. Prior to the end of any Year in which Reclamation has used Project Water stored in the Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir, Reclamation will perform an analysis to determine consistency with this
479 480 481 482 483 484 485	(d) Reclamation intends to use all available CVP water supplies stored in the Federal Share of Historic Reservoir and Federal Share of Expanded Reservoir to meet the purposes identified in subarticle 4(e)(4)(iii) above prior to using any Project Water stored in the Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir. Prior to the end of any Year in which Reclamation has used Project Water stored in the Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir, Reclamation will perform an analysis to determine consistency with this intent, and will true up reservoir accounting if required.

the quantity of Project Water or Acquired Water used by Reclamation will be included in the
calculation of that Year's Federal OM&R cost obligation allocated by DWR for the Expanded
Reservoir and will be deducted from the Authority's share of OM&R cost obligation for the Year
in which Acquired Water or Project Water was used by Reclamation.

(7)If Reclamation anticipates a need for any water stored in the 493 Authority Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir based on 90% exceedance forecasts, on or 494 495 before February 20 of each Year, Reclamation will inform the Authority, in coordination with the Water Coordinator, of this potential need. On or before March 1, the Authority, through the 496 Water Coordinator, will submit a schedule to Reclamation for the delivery of water stored in the 497 Authority Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir in accordance with the noticing and scheduling 498 499 provision located in the applicable Investor Water Service/Repayment Contract that shows the volumes of water to be delivered. Schedules will need to demonstrate delivery of water on or 500 501 before April 1 of each Year. Reclamation shall use all reasonable means to deliver the water to 502 the contractor in accordance with the initial schedule submitted by the contractor, or any written 503 revision(s) deemed satisfactory to the Contracting Officer, thereto submitted within a reasonable time prior to the date(s) on which the requested change(s) is/are to be implemented. 504

(f) <u>Displacement of Project Water</u> – In order to store Acquired Project Water
in the Authority Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir, the Water Coordinator, in coordination
with Reclamation, will if needed, move Project Water out of the Authority-Managed Share of
Expanded Reservoir. Project Water can be transferred, exchanged, or delivered subject to
applicable statutes, regulations, guidelines, and policies. If the Project Water cannot be timely
transferred, exchanged, or delivered, it will move in the following way and in the following order
of priority:

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512	(1) Project Water moves from the Authority-Managed Share of		
513	Expanded Reservoir to the Historic Reservoir unless the Historic Reservoir is full.		
514	(2) If the Historic Reservoir is full, then the Project Water moves to		
515	the Federal Share of Expanded Reservoir; and		
516	(3) If the Project Water cannot be moved as described above, then		
517	Reclamation can make the Project Water available to CVP contractors per existing CVP Water		
518	Service/Repayment Contracts, and subject to applicable regulations, guidelines, and policies.		
519	Reclamation will retain full discretion as to the disposition of the Project Water.		
520	(g) <u>Losses</u> – All water in the Authority Managed Share of Expanded		
521	Reservoir will be subject to water loss criteria that is applied based on reservoir losses caused by		
522	evaporation and seepage and charged to Reclamation as part of its joint operations with DWR,		
523	with the Authority and Reclamation sharing losses proportionate to the water then-stored in the		
524	Expanded Reservoir.		
525	(h) <u>Operation and Maintenance Costs of the San Luis Reservoir</u> – As a result		
526	of the Expanded Reservoir, Reclamation may have an increased share of the cost of the operation		
527	and maintenance of the B.F. Sisk Dam and San Luis Reservoir. The Parties agree that costs will		
528	be paid consistent with existing laws, agreements, and policy, as may be amended or superseded.		
529	Further, the Authority agrees it will specifically pay for OM&R costs associated with the		
530	Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir; the details regarding such payment and costs		
531	will be defined in an OM&R Agreement, which will be an Exhibit to this Agreement.		
532	(i) <u>Coordination Agreement</u> – Prior to the operation of the Expanded		
533	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:
- 537 (1) Define the frequency of coordination between the Parties. Establish a Reclamation approved accounting methodology and (2) 538 system of accounting for water in the Authority Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir. 539 (3) Provide for a dispute resolution process. 540 (4) Provide for a Water Coordinator. The Parties agree that a Water 541 542 Coordinator will be provided and paid for by the Authority who will coordinate with Reclamation regarding the management of any water moving into, stored in, or moving out of 543 the Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir, who will account for and allocate the 544 water in the Authority-Managed Share of Expanded Reservoir, including losses, in proportion to 545
- 546 the investments made; and who will be responsible for the provisional data and coordinating with 547 Reclamation on reconciliation at the end of the contract year and prior to initial allocations of the 548 following Year.
- 549 (5) Describe the coordination process referenced in subarticle 4(e)(6)
 550 above, including but not limited to the frequency and methods through which Reclamation will
 551 share forecasting and allocation information with the Water Coordinator on behalf of the
 552 Authority.
- 553 (6) Describe the methods through which the Parties will acquire access to554 conveyance capacity.

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(i) Following a determination of Substantial Completion of construction of the
Expansion Project, the duties and obligations of the Parties under subarticles 4(e)-(h) may
survive termination of this Agreement if the Parties mutually agree pursuant to subarticle 2(b)
and Article 7.

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COORDINATION AND COOPERATION

5. (a) In order to further the goals and objectives of this Agreement, Reclamation and 560 the Authority shall communicate, coordinate, and cooperate with each other. The 561 communication, coordination, and cooperation provided for hereunder shall extend to all 562 provisions of this Agreement. Each Party shall retain exclusive decision-making authority for all 563 actions, opinions, and determinations to be made by the respective Party. 564 565 (b) Nothing in this Article shall be construed to limit or constrain Reclamation's ability to communicate, coordinate, and cooperate with the Authority or to make 566

decisions in a timely fashion as needed to protect health, safety, or the physical integrity ofstructures or facilities.

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EXISTING CONTRACTS

6. (a) Nothing in this Agreement, in any way, alters, changes, or amends
existing Water Service/Repayment Contracts with the United States, or supersedes, negates, or
changes or is intended to change any past course of dealings, past practices or precedent, or prior
contract interpretation.

(b) In case of any conflict or ambiguity between this Agreement and any
Water Service/Repayment Contract, then the respective Water Service/Repayment Contract takes
precedence.

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DISPUTE RESOLUTION

7. Should any dispute arise concerning any provisions of this Agreement, or the 578 579 Parties' rights and obligations thereunder, the United States and the Authority shall meet and 580 confer in an attempt to resolve the dispute. Prior to the Authority commencing any legal action, or the Contracting Officer referring any matter to the Department of Justice, the party shall 581 582 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 583 prejudice the interests of the party that intends to file suit. During the thirty (30)-day notice 584 period, the parties shall meet and confer in an attempt to resolve the dispute. Except as 585 specifically provided, nothing herein is intended to waive or abridge any right or remedy that the 586 Authority or the United States may have. 587

588 WAIVER OF NON-COMPLIANCE WITH ANY PROVISION OF THIS AGREEMENT

8. (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 noncompliance 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 noncompliance with any provision of this Agreement.

595 (b) Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed as in any manner 596 abridging, limiting, or depriving the United States, represented by the Contracting Officer, or the 597 Authority of any means of enforcing any remedy, either at law or in equity, for the breach of any 598 of the provisions hereof which it would otherwise have.

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OPINIONS AND DETERMINATIONS

9. (a) Where the terms of this Agreement provide for actions to be based upon 600 601 the opinion or determination of either party to this Agreement, said terms shall not be construed 602 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 603 604 reserve the right to seek relief from and appropriate adjustment for any such arbitrary, capricious, 605 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 606 607 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 608 regulation. 609

(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.

(c) Nothing in this Agreement, or performance hereunder, constitutes a
waiver of the Parties' respective positions, opinions, or interpretations of California water rights
law, whatever they may be, in circumstances where there is no mutual agreement, as applicable
herein, for the use of the Expanded Reservoir.

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THIRD-PARTY BENEFICIARIES

620 10. This Agreement does not establish any third-party beneficiaries.

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NOTICES

11. 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.

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CONTINGENT ON APPROPRIATION OR ALLOTMENT OF FUNDS

12. 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.

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OFFICIALS NOT TO BENEFIT

13. 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.

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ASSIGNMENT LIMITED – SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS OBLIGATED

14. 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.

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BOOKS, RECORDS, AND REPORTS

644 15. 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 645 Authority's financial transactions; water supply data; project operation, maintenance, and 646 647 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 648 649 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 650 regulations, each party to this Agreement shall have the right during office hours to examine and 651 make copies of the other party's books and records relating to matters covered by this 652 653 Agreement.

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COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL RECLAMATION LAWS

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.

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EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

17. The following language is required by Executive Order No. 11246 of September
24, 1965, in all government contracts unless and until it is superseded or amended.

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During the performance of this Agreement, the Authority agrees as follows:

The Authority will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for 664 (a) employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national 665 origin. The Authority will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that 666 employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, 667 sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be 668 limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or 669 recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and 670 selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Authority agrees to post in conspicuous 671 places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the 672 Contracting Officer setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause. 673

(b) The Authority will, in all solicitations or advancements for employees
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,
gender identity, or national origin.

678 The Authority will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate (c) 679 against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another 680 681 employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such 682 employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or 683 applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such 684 disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, 685 proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is 686 consistent with the Authority's legal duty to furnish information. 687

(d) The Authority will send to each labor union or representative of workers
with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice,
to be provided by the agency Contracting Officer, advising the labor union or workers'
representative of the Authority's commitments under section 202 of Executive Order No. 11246
of September 24, 1965, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to
employees and applicants for employment.

(e) The Authority will comply with all provisions of Executive Order No.
11246 of Sept. 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of
Labor.

697 (f) The Authority will furnish all information and reports required by 698 Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by the rules, regulations, and orders of 699 the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and 700 accounts by the Contracting Agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to 701 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.

709 The Authority will include the provisions of paragraphs (a) through (h) in (h) 710 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 711 712 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 713 directed by the Secretary of Labor as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions 714 for noncompliance: Provided, however, that in the event the Authority becomes involved in, or is 715 716 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 717 718 United States.

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COMPLIANCE WITH CIVIL RIGHTS

18. The Authority shall comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 720 (a) (Pub. L. 88-352; 42 U.S.C. § 2000d), the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Pub. L. 93-112, Title V, as 721 amended; 29 U.S.C. § 791, et seq.), the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (Pub. L. 94-135, Title 722 III; 42 U.S.C. § 6101, et seq.), Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 723 101-336; 42 U.S.C. § 12131, et seq.), and any other applicable civil rights laws, and with the 724 applicable implementing regulations and any guidelines imposed by the U.S. Department of the 725 Interior and/or Bureau of Reclamation. 726

(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.

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734 The Authority makes this agreement in consideration of and for the (c) purpose of obtaining any and all Federal grants, loans, contracts, property discounts, or other 735 Federal financial assistance extended after the date hereof to the Authority by the Bureau of 736 Reclamation, including installment payments after such date on account of arrangements for 737 Federal financial assistance which were approved before such date. The Authority recognizes 738 and agrees that such Federal assistance will be extended in reliance on the representations and 739 agreements made in this article and that the United States reserves the right to seek judicial 740 enforcement thereof. 741

742 (d) Complaints of discrimination against the Authority shall be investigated743 by the Contracting Officer's Office of Civil Rights.

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CERTIFICATION OF NONSEGREGATED FACILITIES

19. The Authority hereby certifies that it does not maintain or provide for its 745 employees any segregated facilities at any of its establishments and that it does not permit its 746 employees to perform their services at any location under its control where segregated facilities 747 are maintained. It certifies further that it will not maintain or provide for its employees any 748 segregated facilities at any of its establishments and that it will not permit its employees to 749 perform their services at any location under its control where segregated facilities are 750 maintained. The Authority agrees that a breach of this certification is a violation of the Equal 751 752 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, 753 restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, locker rooms and other storage or dressing areas, 754 parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing 755 facilities provided for employees which are segregated by explicit directive or are in fact 756 segregated on the basis of race, creed, color, or national origin, because of habit, local custom, 757 758 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 759 certifications from proposed subcontractors prior to the award of subcontracts exceeding \$10,000 760 which are not exempt from the provisions of the Equal Employment Opportunity clause; that it 761 will retain such certifications in its files; and that it will forward the following notice to such 762 763 proposed subcontractors (except where the proposed subcontractors have submitted identical certifications for specific time periods): 764

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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

receeding \$10,000 which is not exempt from the provisions of the Equal Employment

770 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.

773 <u>MEDIUM FOR TRANSMITTING PAYMENTS</u>

20. (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.

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AGREEMENT DRAFTING CONSIDERATIONS

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.

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791 792 793	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.
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795	THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
796	By:
797	Regional Director
798	Interior Region 10: California-Great Basin
799	Bureau of Reclamation

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801 802	(SEAL)	San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority

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805 Attest:

By:_____ Chair, Board of Directors

806 ______ Secretary