

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
SANTA BARBARA ADOPTING THE 2013 SANTA
BARBARA COUNTYWIDE INTEGRATED REGIONAL
WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, in 2002, Senate Bill 1672 created the Integrated Regional Water Management Act to encourage local agencies to work cooperatively to manage local and imported water supplies to improve the quality, quantity, and reliability;

WHEREAS, in November 2002, California voters passed Proposition 50, the Water Security Clean Drinking Water Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002, which provides \$500,000,000 (CWC §79560-79565) to fund competitive grants for projects consistent with an adopted Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Plan;

WHEREAS, in 2005, Santa Barbara County, 30 cities, special districts, joint power authorities and private companies (Cooperating Partners) created an Integrated Regional Management Planning Process to promote and practice integrated regional water management strategies to ensure sustainable water uses, reliable water supplies, better water quality, environmental stewardship, efficient urban development, and protection of agricultural and watershed awareness;

WHEREAS, in 2007, the first IRWM Plan was adopted by all Cooperating Partners;

WHEREAS, Proposition 84, the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 was passed by California voters;

WHEREAS, Proposition 84 provides \$5.388 billion statewide for various types of projects including:

- protecting rivers, lakes and streams;
- improving flood control;
- sustainable communities and the reduction of climate change;
- protecting beaches, bays and coastal waters;
- parks and natural education facilities;
- forest and wildlife conservation; and
- statewide water planning;

WHEREAS, \$1 billion of the \$5.388 billion was allocated towards IRWM, which included \$900 million for 11 funding areas (regional) and \$100 million allocated inter-regionally;

WHEREAS, the Santa Barbara County Water Agency, on behalf of the Cooperating Partners, entitled the Cooperating Partners, applied for and received grant funding through Proposition 84 to update the 2007 IRWM Plan to meet current IRWM Plan Guidelines from the Department of Water Resources (DWR);

WHEREAS, the Santa Barbara County Water Agency became the Grantee for and the lead agency on behalf of the Cooperating Partners for preparation of the 2013 IRWM Plan;

WHEREAS, the Santa Barbara County Water Agency, as the lead agency on behalf of the Cooperating Partners, prepared a Notice of Exemption in accordance with California Environmental Quality Act guidelines for preparation of the 2013 IRWM Plan;

WHEREAS, the 2013 IRWM Plan was completed in accordance with DWR's 2010 Plan Standards and Guidelines and submitted to DWR for review and approval;

WHEREAS, the 2013 IRWM Plan was found to be consistent with the IRWM Planning Act and related Plan Standards by DWR on May 15, 2014, and will be approved by DWR following a 30-day public review period; and

WHEREAS, on April 9, 2014, the Santa Barbara County IRWM solicited projects for consideration into a 2014 Drought Solicitation Application for DWR funding, and the projects received through the Santa Barbara County IRWM solicitation process have been incorporated into the IRWM Plan as an addendum to the Project list.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: The foregoing recitals are true and accurate.

SECTION 2: The City of Santa Barbara hereby adopts the Santa Barbara Countywide 2013 IRWM Plan in the form presented at the City Clerk's Office.