

DELTA STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

RESOLUTION 2023-04

**Contract with the Regents of the University of California San Diego, California Sea Grant, for the Delta Science Program 2023/2024 Delta Research Proposal Solicitation**

WHEREAS, the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Reform Act of 2009 (Delta Reform Act) (Wat. Code, §85000 et seq.) authorizes the Delta Stewardship Council (Council) to enter into contracts, including contracts for consulting and legal services, and to fund research, receive funds, and to disburse funds through contracts (Wat. Code, §§ 85210, 85213, and 85280); and

WHEREAS, the Delta Reform Act requires the development of the Delta Plan to further the “coequal goals” (Wat. Code, § 85300) and defines the coequal goals to mean the two goals of providing a more reliable water supply for California and protecting, restoring, and enhancing the Delta ecosystem to be achieved in a manner that protects and enhances the unique cultural, recreational, natural resource, and agricultural values of the Delta as an evolving place (Wat. Code, § 85054); and

WHEREAS, Council staff has proposed that the Council issue a 2023/2024 Delta Research Proposal Solicitation for a total amount not to exceed six million dollars (\$6,000,000) for selected projects; and

WHEREAS, Council staff has proposed that the Council enter into an agreement with the University of California, San Diego (UCSD), Sea Grant (Sea Grant), to administer, coordinate, and support the proposed 2023/2024 Delta Research Proposal Solicitation for the following amounts: not to exceed one million thirty-seven thousand two hundred and twenty-four dollar (\$1,037,224) for services provided by UCSD, Sea Grant, and six million dollars (\$6,000,000) to be used for awards for selected projects, for a total contract amount not to exceed seven million thirty-seven thousand two hundred and twenty-four dollars (\$7,037,224); and

WHEREAS, the proposed solicitation would further the coequal goals and is within the Council’s authority.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DELTA STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL THAT:

1. The Executive Officer, or their delegee, is hereby authorized to:
  - a. Issue the 2023/2024 2024 Delta Research Proposal Solicitation and award a total amount not to exceed six million dollars (\$6,000,000) for selected projects;
  - b. Enter into an agreement with UCSD, Sea Grant, for services related to the administration, coordination, and support for the solicitation, in the following amounts: not to exceed one million thirty-seven thousand two hundred and twenty-four dollar (\$1,037,224) for services provided, and six million dollars (\$6,000,000) to be used for awards for selected projects, for a total contract amount not to exceed seven million thirty-seven thousand two hundred and twenty-four dollars (\$7,037,224);
  - c. Execute the agreement with UCSD, Sea Grant, authorized in this resolution and any agreements for selected projects;
  - d. Execute any subsequent amendments to any of the agreements authorized herein, provided that the amendments do not increase the total amount of the solicitation above six million dollars (\$6,000,000) or the amount of the agreement with UCSD, Sea Grant above the amount authorized herein; and
  - e. Take such steps as are necessary to effectuate the intent of this resolution.

2. This resolution takes effect immediately upon its approval and remains in effect until repealed.

Attachment A: May 25, 2023, Council meeting notice and agenda and staff report for Item 9 – Consideration and Possible Approval of a Contract with the Regents of the University of California San Diego (UCSD), California Sea Grant (Sea Grant), for the Delta Science Program 2023/2024 Delta Research Proposal Solicitation

#### CERTIFICATION

On a motion by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_, and a vote of the Council, the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Delta Stewardship Council by the following vote at a regular meeting of the Delta Stewardship Council on May 25, 2023.

Burgis \_\_\_\_\_

Damrell \_\_\_\_\_

Hueso \_\_\_\_\_

Lee \_\_\_\_\_

Madueño \_\_\_\_\_

Mehranian \_\_\_\_\_

Zingale \_\_\_\_\_

Dated: May 25, 2023

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Emma Askea

Clerk of the Board of the Delta Stewardship Council