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EXHIBIT-13-E

RESOLUTION 2023-12

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
MONTEREY PENINSULA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
ADOPTING FINDINGS OF ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW,
ADOPTING A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION, AND
APPROVING THE LOS PADRES DAM OUTLET MODIFICATIONS PROJECT**

WHEREAS, The Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (District) is committed to managing the integrated water resources of the of diversions from the Carmel River Basin; and

WHEREAS, Landslides adjacent to the Los Padres Reservoir in 2018, 2019, and 2020 resulted in reduced outlet capacity that negatively affects reservoir operations and Carmel River habitat downstream, which requires a Project to modify the outlet works;

WHEREAS, The District followed guidelines of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and prepared an Initial Study (IS) comprised of an environmental checklist and review of the impacts of the Project; and

WHEREAS, The District published a Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration and circulated the Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the Los Padres Dam Outlet Modifications Project (Project) in accordance with CEQA requirements; and

WHEREAS, The District responded to comments received on the IS/MND at a Public Hearing on 21 August, 2023, and directed that a Final IS/MND be prepared that incorporates responses to comments;

WHEREAS, The District prepared a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) that will reduce potential impacts to a less than significant level;

WHEREAS, The District prepared Findings of Environmental Review based on the Draft IS/MND and comments received;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the the Board of Directors of Monterey Peninsula Water Management District hereby find the Findings of Environmental Review as a true and accurate statement of the environmental impacts of the construction of the Los Padres Dam Outlet

Modifications Project;

Adopt and approve the Findings of Environmental Review as set forth by set forth in **Exhibit 8-D** attached to the Board agenda as those findings may be amended by the Board;

Adopt an MND for the Project based on the IS/MND for the Project, which found that although the Project could have a significant effect on the environment, mitigation measures can be included that will reduce the potential impacts to less than significant levels;

Adopt the MMRP and incorporate the mitigation measures described into the Project;

Approve the Project and direct staff to prepare and file a Notice of Determination for the Project.

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

I, David J. Stoldt, Secretary to the Board of Directors on the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, hereby certify that the foregoing is a resolution duly adopted on the ___st day of August.

Dated:

David J. Stoldt,
Secretary to the Board