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A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO DETERMINING THAT THE APPROVAL OF THE NEW JOINT FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY FOR THE COOPERATIVE WATER RESOURCES PROGRAM IS CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15306.

WHEREAS, the New Joint Funding Agreement with the United States Geological Survey for the Cooperative Water Resources Program (Project) will extend to October 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (California Public Resources Code sections 21000-21177), section 21084, states that the CEQA Guidelines thereto (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, section 15000, *et seq.*) shall list those classes of projects which have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and which shall be exempt from CEQA; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to that authority, CEQA Guidelines sections 15300-15333 list the categorical exemptions promulgated by the California Office of Planning and Research and adopted by the Secretary of the California Natural Resources Agency for those classes of Projects which have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment; and

WHEREAS, the Development Services Department has established that the Project is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15306 and that no exception to the exemption, as set forth in CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2, applies to the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of San Diego (City Council) has considered the potential environmental effects of the Project, and

WHEREAS, on JUL 19 2016 , the City Council held a duly noticed public meeting and considered the written record for the Project as well as public comment; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, using its independent judgment, has determined that the Project for basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities will not have a significant effect on the environment or result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource. NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of San Diego determines that the Project is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15306, and that an exception to the exemption does not apply.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council has determined that an exception to the exemption as set forth in CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2 does not apply.

APPROVED: JAN I. GOLDSMITH, City Attorney

By

Raymond C. Palmucci Deputy City Attorney

RCP:mt June 28, 2016

Or.Dept:Public Utilities

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I certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND City Clerk

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Approved:	7/19//b (date)	(R-2016-765)  KEVIN L. FAULGONER, Mayor
Vetoed:	(date)	KEVIN L. FAULCONER, Mayor

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