RESOLUTION NO. <u>23-015</u>

OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF ALAMEDA COUNTY WATER DISTRICT AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT AMONG THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ALAMEDA COUNTY WATER DISTRICT AND KERN COUNTY WATER AGENCY FOR STORAGE OF A PORTION OF ALAMEDA COUNTY WATER DISTRICT'S STATE WATER PROJECT WATER SUPPLIES IN SEMITROPIC WATER STORAGE DISTRICT, AND DETERMINING ACTIONS ARE EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT.

WHEREAS, Alameda County Water District (District) has a long-term water supply contract with the State of California Department of Water Resources (DWR) for the delivery of State Water Project water; and

WHEREAS, the District has a long-term water banking contract with the Semitropic Water Storage District; and

WHEREAS, the District has negotiated a new agreement to continue deliveries to the Semitropic Water Storage District and update terms and operations with DWR and Kern County Water District; and

WHEREAS, the recommended action qualifies for a Categorical Exemption under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines §15301: "Class 1 consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use," and none of the exceptions under the CEQA Guidelines §15300.2 exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of ALAMEDA COUNTY WATER DISTRICT that:

 The General Manager is authorized to execute an Agreement Among the Department of Water Resources of the State of California, Alameda County Water District and Kern County Water Agency for storage of a portion of Alameda County Water District's State Water Project water supplies in Semitropic Water Storage District.

- The actions are determined to be exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act under Categorical Exemption Class 1 – operation of existing facilities with no expansion of use (CEQA Guidelines Section 15301).
- 3. District staff is directed to prepare and file a Notice of Exemption within five working days of the approval of this Resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 23rd day of February 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: Directors Gunther, Akbari, Huang, Weed, and Sethy

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

James G. Gunther, Vice-President Board of Directors Alameda County Water District

ATTEST:

Marian Hsu, Assistant District Secretary Alameda County Water District (Seal)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Patrick T. Miyaki, General Counsel Alameda County Water District

CERTIFICATION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the Alameda County Water District held on 23rd day of February 2023.

Clerk/Secretary: