Report to Congress for Future Water Resources Development (WRRDA 7001) Submission Package

Proposal Name: Sacramento Area, California Project Modification
Submission Date: 08/27/2019
Proposal ID Number: 7473478d-c5c6-4fd7-9690-72c834979c95

Purpose of Proposal: The Sacramento Area Section 219 authority was authorized in the Water Resources Development Act of 1999 (P.L. 106-53) to support regional water conservation and recycling projects in the Counties of El Dorado and Placer in California and within the service area of the San Suburban Water District. “(23) SACRAMENTO AREA, CALIFORNIA. - $25,000,000 for regional water conservation and recycling projects in Placer and El Dorado Counties and the San Juan Suburban Water District, California.” In the Fiscal Year 2004 Energy and Water Appropriations bill (P.L. 108-137), Congress increased the authorization for the Sacramento Area projects by $10 million, bringing the total authority to $35 million. To date, approximately $19 million of the original $35 million in authorization has been spent, funding projects in the region ranging from water meter installation, canal lining, regional water management planning, water treatment plant improvements, and water supply line reliability. However, the authority only authorizes projects located in Placer and El Dorado Counties and the San Juan Suburban Water District, and does not authorize projects located in Sacramento County, despite Sacramento County agencies representing the core of the greater Sacramento region and participating in regional water supply planning activities. In addition, the original authority also limits the use of funds to “regional water conservation and recycling projects”. Therefore, we request the current Sacramento Area, California program authorization be amended as follows: “(23) SACRAMENTO AREA, CALIFORNIA. - $45,000,000 for regional water conservation, recycling, reliability, and resiliency projects in Placer, El Dorado, and Sacramento Counties and the San Juan Suburban Water District California.”
1. Administrative Details

Proposal Name: Sacramento Area, California Project Modification

by Agency: Sacramento County Water Agency, CA

Locations: CA

POC Name: Water Supply Division Chief

POC Phone:

POC Email:

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Supporting Documents

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2. **Provide the name of the primary sponsor and all non-Federal interests that have contributed or are expected to contribute toward the non-Federal share of the proposed feasibility study or modification.**

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<td>Sacramento County Water Agency, CA; City of Folsom, CA; City of Sacramento, CA (Primary)</td>
<td>The Sacramento County Water Agency, City of Folsom, and City of Sacramento support expansion of the Sacramento Area, California project authority to include Sacramento County as an area to be served by the project. All three agencies are located in Sacramento County and are prepared to contribute any non-federal share required for projects funded under the account. Other non-federal interests that have contributed to the program in the past included City of Auburn, CA; El Dorado Irrigation District, CA; Placer County Water Agency, CA; Regional Water Authority, CA; City of Roseville, CA; and San Juan Water District, CA.</td>
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3. **State if this proposal is for new feasibility study authority, a modification to an existing feasibility study authority, a modification to an existing USACE project authority, or a modification to an existing USACE Environmental Infrastructure Program authority. If it is a proposal for a modification to an existing study, project or program authority, provide the authorized water resources development feasibility study or project name.**

[x] Modification to a USACE Environmental Infrastructure Program Authority

Environmental Infrastructure Program Authority Name:

SACRAMENTO AREA, CALIFORNIA

Description of assistance provided to date:

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Total Federal cost of assistance provided to date:

$35,000,000
4. Clearly articulate the specific project purpose(s) of the proposed study or modification. Demonstrate that the proposal is related to USACE mission and authorities and specifically address why additional or new authorization is needed.

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Explanation (if necessary)

Traditionally, projects funded under the Sacramento Area, California account have been coordinated with the local regional partners covered by the authorization. Funds are allocated from any appropriated funds to specific projects based on project readiness and cost share availability. To date, $35,000,000 has been authorized for the program and approximately $19,000,000 has been appropriated. The request for the additional $10,000,000 will cover the expansion of the area served by the program and not limit the funding available to the original local sponsors.
6. To the extent practicable, describe the anticipated monetary and nonmonetary benefits of
the proposal including benefits to the protection of human life and property; improvement to
transportation; the national economy; the environment; or the national security interests of
the United States.

Water providers in the Sacramento area, including those in Sacramento County, work collaboratively on re-
gional water supply planning and projects to improve water supply reliability. To increase collaborative p-
landing, agencies formed the Regional Water Authority (RWA) in 2001. Recently, RWA completed a Regi-
onal Water Reliability Plan (Reliability Plan). This plan analyzed water supplies and infrastructure in the
Sacramento area, and identified vulnerabilities. The Reliability Plan then identified opportunities for imp-
rowements to mitigate those vulnerabilities to improve system-wide reliability. Projects identified include
a regional groundwater bank, aquifer storage and recovery wells, and other facilities to expand the area’s c-
onjunctive use program as a key component of improved water supply reliability. Water agencies in the re-
geion are making investments in support of the Reliability Plan’s recommendations. The exclusion of Sa-
cramento County as an area served under the Sacramento Area, California program authority has restric-
d the agencies located in Sacramento County from being able to access the funds appropriated for regional
water supply projects despite the fact that Sacramento County is situated in the heart of the greater Sac-
ramento region. Expanding the Sacramento Area, California authority to include all of Sacramento County
will help ensure the most efficient and effective use of limited federal resources. Expansion of the cover-
ed area will not only allow available resources to be used for critical water conservation, recycling, reliability,
and resiliency projects, but will promote regional cooperation and collaboration to effectively and efficient-
ly manage water resources to provide high quality water supplies to the public at a reasonable cost, promot-
e a sustainable environment, and support a vibrant economy.
7. Does local support exist? If 'Yes', describe the local support for the proposal.

[x] Yes

Local Support Description

The proposal has the support of Placer County Water Agency, San Juan Suburban Water District, and El Dorado County Water Agency as well as the support of Sacramento County, City of Sacramento, and City of Folsom, CA.

8. Does the primary sponsor named in (2.) above have the financial ability to provide for the required cost share?

[x] Yes
Primary Sponsor Letter of Support

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USACE Sacramento Area 7001 Account Support Letter_City of Folsom.pdf
The Honorable R.D. James
Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works)
United States Department of the Army
108 Army Pentagon
Room 3E446
Washington, DC 20310-0108

Re: Section 7001 Proposal – Sacramento Area, California Project Modification

Dear Mr. Secretary:

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Over the years, the program has funded approximately $19 million in regional water projects including water meter installation, water supply line reliability and rehabilitation, and regional water management planning. Expanding the authority of the account to Sacramento County agencies would provide them with access to Corps funding, similar to the access shared by their regional partners, to address water conservation and water supply reliability projects in their jurisdictions.

Our request also includes increasing the project authority by $10 million, bringing the project to a total level of $45 million. Potential projects that would benefit from access to Corps funding under the Sacramento Area, California account those included in the regionally developed and approved Regional Water Supply Reliability Plan. This includes water conservation projects, interties with
neighboring water agencies, the planning and development of a regional water bank, and raw water supply reliability projects from Folsom Reservoir and Dam.

If you have any questions, please contact Marcus Yasutake at 916-461-6161 or by email to myasutake@folsom.ca.us. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Marcus Yasutake
Environmental and Water Resources Director
City of Folsom
Additional Proposal Information

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If you have any questions, please contact Anne Sanger at 916-808-1635. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

William O. Busath  
Director

City of Sacramento  
Department of Utilities  
1385 35th Avenue  
Sacramento, CA 95822
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If you have any questions, please contact Kerry Schmitz at (916) 874-4681. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Michael L. Peterson, Director  
Department of Water Resources

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