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**EXHIBIT-8-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:

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David J. Stoldt,  
Secretary to the Board