



# CITY OF WHEATLAND

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING STAFF REPORT

April 13, 2021

**SUBJECT:** Council discussion and consideration to adopt Resolution No. 15-21 authorizing the City Manager to execute funding applications and agreements with the State Water Resources Control Board for the Wheatland Regional Sewer Pipeline Project (CWSRF Project No. 8601-110)

**PREPARED BY:** Dane Schilling – City Engineer

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### **Recommendation**

Adopt Resolution No. 15-21 authorizing the City Manager to execute funding applications and agreements with the State Water Resources Control Board for the Wheatland Regional Sewer Pipeline Project (CWSRF Project No. 8601-110).

### **Background/Discussion**

On January 14, 2020, the City Council directed the formation of an Ad-Hoc committee to work toward securing the best possible long-term solution to the City's future wastewater treatment needs by exploring and developing the two alternatives recommended in the *City of Wheatland Wastewater Treatment Alternatives Analysis* report.

On July 7, 2020, the Yuba Water Agency (YWA) Board granted \$2,596,320 50% grant and 50% loan) to the City of Wheatland for the design and environmental efforts for the conveyance pipeline and pump stations needed to deliver 1.5 million gallons per day of sewage from Wheatland to the planned terminus of Olivehurst Public Utilities District's (OPUD) sewer project at Highway 65 and Rancho Road.

On July 28, 2020, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 35-20 approving the \$2.6M grant/loan agreement to fund environmental and design efforts for the first segment of the wastewater pipeline and authorizing the City Manager to sign the agreement.

On November 10, 2020, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 43-20 amending the FY 2020-21 Budget and authorizing the City Manager to proceed with environmental review and engineering design for the Wheatland Regional Sewer Pipeline Project which conveys wastewater as far as Highway 65 and Rancho Road.

The City's Ad-Hoc committee and staff have continued to meet with all agencies involved including YWA, OPUD, Linda County Water District (LCWD) and County Staff as well as Wheatland's development interests regarding the progress and planning of wastewater treatment in south Yuba County. It is clear that a wastewater connections to OPUD and/or LCWD are the best options for the City's future wastewater treatment and disposal needs.

The proposed CWSRF grant funding would further the City's efforts in developing connections to both OPUD and LCWD for the treatment of the City's wastewater by funding the planning, preliminary design, environmental review and other efforts for the current project up to Rancho Road and for the northerly segment to reach the LCWD service area.

### **Fiscal Impact**

Up to \$500,000 of grant funding may be awarded to the City by the State Water Resources Board through the CWSRF Program. If the City is successful in obtaining the funding, Staff would bring an item back to the City Council to amend the City's Budget and authorize the expenditure of the funds for planning, preliminary engineering and environmental work.

### **Attachments**

1. Resolution No. 15-21

**RESOLUTION NO. 15-21**

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEATLAND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN AND FILE, FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY, A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION FOR FINANCING AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD FOR THE WHEATLAND REGIONAL SEWER PIPELINE PROJECT (CWSRF PROJECT NO. 8601-110)**

**WHEREAS**, on November 10, 2020, the City Council of the City of Wheatland adopted Resolution No.43-20 authorizing city staff to proceed with environmental review and engineering design for the first segment of the Wheatland Regional Sewer Pipeline Project (Project) of which the first segment includes constructing a sewer conveyance pipeline and pump stations from the existing City sewer system to the intersection of Highway 65 and Rancho Road; and

**WHEREAS**, the City is concurrently pursuing the planning, engineering design, environmental review and construction of additional segments of the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Manager has directed City staff to pursue additional funding through the State of California Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) administered by the State of California Water Resources Control Board for the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the City is currently eligible to receive grant funding through CWSRF for planning, preliminary engineering, environmental review and other activities of the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the City's the initial application for the Project was acknowledged by CWSRF staff, and the project has been assigned CWSRF Project Number 8601-110; and

**WHEREAS**, the City is required to make the following actions to complete the CWSRF application process.

**NOW, THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, ORDERED AND FOUND** by the City Council of City of Wheatland, State of California, that the City Council:

1. Authorizes and directs the City Manager to sign and file, for and on behalf of the City of Wheatland a financial assistance application for a financing agreement from the State Water Resources Control Board for the planning, design, and construction of the Wheatland Regional Wastewater Pipeline Project.
2. Designates the City Manager to provide the assurances, certifications, and commitments required for the financial assistance application, including executing a financial assistance agreement from the State Water Resources Control Board and any amendments or changes thereto.

3. Designates the City Manager to represent the City in carrying out the City's responsibilities under the financing agreement, including certifying disbursement requests on behalf of the City and compliance with applicable state and federal laws.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of City of Wheatland, State of California this 13<sup>th</sup> day of April 2021, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

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Rick West, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Lisa Thomason, City Clerk