RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SISKIYOU COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT APPROVING APPLICATION FOR A GRANT FOR THE BUTTE VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN UNDER THE 2021 SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT GRANT PROGRAM SGMA IMPLEMENTATION ROUND 2 GRANT AND DESIGNATING AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE**

WHEREAS, Groundwater resources are essential to the people, environmental, plant and animal species, and economics of Siskiyou County, and;

WHEREAS, in September of 2014, the Governor of the State of California signed legislation requiring that groundwater resources throughout California be managed by local agencies through the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), and;

WHEREAS, SGMA authorizes local agencies to manage groundwater in a sustainable fashion, and;

WHEREAS, SGMA requires all high- and medium-priority groundwater basins, as designated by the California Department of Water Resources (DWR), to be managed by a Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA), and;

WHEREAS, in April of 2017, the Siskiyou County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (District) submitted their intent to the Department of Water Resources to serve as the GSA for the Shasta, Scott and Butte Valley Groundwater Basins (Basins), and;

WHEREAS, in July 2017, the District was approved as the GSA for the Basins by the Department of Water Resources (DWR), and;

WHEREAS, in December 2021, the DWR announced a grant funding opportunity under the 2022 SGM Grant Program SGMA Implementation Funding; and

WHEREAS, the GSA submitted a Groundwater Sustainability Plan to DWR for the Butte Valley basin in January of 2022

WHEREAS, DWR is now reviewing the submitted GSPs and has until January 2024 to determine if the plans are adequate, incomplete, or inadequate and DWR will periodically evaluate the GSPs at least every five years thereafter to ensure compliance with SGMA; and

WHEREAS, the GSA is currently implementing the GSPs and is responsible for developing annual reports demonstrating progress towards achieving sustainability which DWR will review to determine whether the GSP implementation is consistent with SGMA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of the Siskiyou County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, that an application be made to the California Department of Water Resources to obtain a grant under the 2021 Sustainable Groundwater Management (SGM) Grant Program SGMA Implementation Round 2 Grant pursuant to the California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access For All Act of 2018 (Proposition 68) (Pub. Resource Code, § 80000 et seq.) and the California Budget Act of 2021 (Stats. 2021, ch. 240, § 80) and to enter into an agreement with the Department of Water Resources to receive a grant for the: Groundwater Sustainability Plan Implementation Support for Butte Valley Groundwater Basin. The Siskiyou County Flood Control and Water Conservation District Board Chair, Siskiyou County CAO, or their designee, is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary data, conduct investigations, file such application, and execute a grant agreement and any future amendments (if required), submit invoices, and submit any reporting requirements with the California Department of Water Resources.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Siskiyou County Flood Control and Water Conservation District at a regular meeting of said Board, held on December 6, 2022 the by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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Brandon Criss, Chair

Board of Directors

ATTEST:

LAURA BYNUM,

COUNTY CLERK

By \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Deputy