Addendum to Palmdale Water District's 2015 Urban Water Management Plan

Quantifying Regional Self-Reliance and Reduced Reliance on Water Supplies from the Delta Watershed (Draft May 2021)

REDUCED DELTA RELIANCE REPORTING

The Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Reform Act of 2009 established a certification process that requires state and local public agencies proposing a covered action in the Delta (such as importing water from the Delta, exchanges, or transfers), prepare a written certification of consistency with detailed findings as to whether the covered action is consistent with applicable Delta Plan policies (Wat. Code, § 85225) and submit that certification to the Delta Stewardship Council.

Palmdale Water District (PWD) has identified, evaluated and implemented projects that are locally cost effective and technically feasible which improve local reliability and reduce reliance on the Delta. Accordingly, PWD, is providing information in its 2015 and 2020 Urban Water Management Plans (UWMPs) that can then be used in the covered action process to demonstrate consistency with Delta Plan Policy WR P1, Reduce Reliance on the Delta Through Improved Regional Water Self-Reliance (WR P1).

As stated in WR P1(c)(1)(C), the policy requires that, commencing in 2015, UWMPs include expected outcomes for measurable reduction in Delta reliance and improved regional self-reliance. WR P1 further states that those outcomes shall be reported in the UWMP as the reduction in the amount of water used, or in the percentage of water used, from the Delta.

The expected outcomes for PWD's Delta reliance and regional self-reliance were developed using the approach and guidance described in Appendix C of DWR's Urban Water Management Plan Guidebook 2020 (Guidebook Appendix C) issued in March 2021.

This analysis is provided with the 2020 UWMP in Appendix H and is attached hereto with this Addendum to the 2015 UWMP. As this analysis also applies to the 2015 UWMP, and as an amendment, it will be released for public review and adopted by the District. This action does not re-open the 2015 UWMP for additional review. It is an addendum to the 2015 UWMP made pursuant to DWR's recommendation.