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Approval of Funds Commitment Letter





Consider approving the commitment of funds letter for the FEMA BRIC grant application for the Resilient Raw Water Infrastructure Construction Project

Background:

On May 18, 2026, the Board of Trustees approved Resolution 1945 to commit funds for a grant application under the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)'s Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) program. Staff subsequently met with the state staff to further develop Metro Water's BRIC application. While all of the state's feedback has been helpful, and most has been properly incorporated, three items require additional feedback:

- The state suggests Metro Water focus on the resiliency goals of the project,
- A fund commitment letter is required over a board resolution, and
- A 60% cost opinion was provided by the design engineer.

Under this agenda item, staff is requesting approval of the attached funds commitment letter for the Resilient Raw Water Infrastructure Construction Project, in accordance with the requirements outlined in the state BRIC application. The board is being asked to approve the funds commitment letter rather than a board resolution. The anticipated construction cost, including engineering services during construction, has been updated to reflect a non-rounded current design engineer's estimate and is \$21,338,400.61. The application requests 75% of this amount (16,003,800.46) be paid through BRIC and 25% (\$5,334,600.15) through a local match. The local match will be a combination of bonds and a \$4 million state grant.

Notice of award is not anticipated until spring 2027. FEMA advertises \$757 million available for hazard mitigation construction projects, of which this application is part. Each application can receive up to \$20 million.

Committee Activity:

The Engineering Committee has not discussed the updates discussed above.

Recommendation:

Approval of the commitment of funds letter for the FEMA BRIC grant application for the Resilient Raw Water Infrastructure Construction Project.

Attachment:

- Funds Commitment Letter

Last Update: June 25, 2026



June 29, 2026

FEMA Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Program

Subject: Commitment of Funds for FEMA BRIC Application – Resilient Raw Water Infrastructure Construction

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter confirms that Metropolitan Water District of Salt Lake & Sandy (Metro Water) is committed to providing the required non-federal cost share for the Resilient Raw Water Infrastructure Construction Project under the FEMA Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) program.

The total estimated project cost is \$21,338,400.61, of which the BRIC program is expected to provide \$16,003,800.46, representing 75% of the total project cost. Metro Water commits to FEMA and the State of Utah that it will provide the non-federal (local) cost share amount of \$5,334,600.15, representing 25% of the total project cost. These funds are:

- Available and budgeted for this project
- Not derived from other federal funding

The local share funds will be available on July 1, 2026.

Metro Water understands that the commitment of these funds is mandatory for project approval and remains valid for the duration of the project.

If you need additional information or documentation, please contact Erin Kuhlmeier at 801.942.9671 or kuhlmeier@mwdsls.gov.

Sincerely,

Tom Godfrey
Chair of the Board of Trustees
Metropolitan Water District of Salt Lake & Sandy